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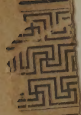


1890

Town and School Report.

1890.

COTTAGE CITY, MASS.



TENTH ANNUAL

Financial Report

—OF THE—

TOWN OF COTTAGE CITY,

—FOR THE—

Year Ending March 1, 1890.

COTTAGE CITY:
PUBLISHED BY AUTHORITY OF THE SELECTMEN.
1890.

Auditor's Certificate.

I herewith submit the Tenth Annual Report of the finances of Cottage City. I have made an examination of the books of the Selectmen and Treasurer and find the same correct, vouchers for orders drawn and payments made.

Appended are reports of Town Clerk, Board of Health, Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, Finance Committee and School Committee.

Respectfully Submitted,

WILLIAM H. DAVIS, Auditor.

Town Officers.

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

EZEKIEL H. MATTHEWS,
THOMAS D. CROWELL,
HAMILTON J. GREENE.

CLERK.

HENRY H. DAVIS.

TREASURER AND COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

ZENAS D. LINTON.

AUDITOR.

WILLIAM H. DAVIS.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

HENRY H. DAVIS,
OLIVER E. LINTON,
MRS. ANN E. S. BUZZELL.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

JOB H. GORHAM,
EDMUND G. BEETLE,
SAMUEL P. HUXFORD.

BOARD OF ENGINEERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT.

GEORGE W. SMITH,
EVERETT JOY,
ALFRED A. BUZZELL,
ZENAS D. LINTON,
CHARLES SNOW.

SURVEYORS OF HIGHWAYS.

CHARLES T. LUCE,
E. ROLAND SMITH.

Valuation May 1st, 1889.

Resident personal property,	\$41,325.00
Non-resident personal property,	5,300.00
Total personal estate,	<u>\$46,652.00</u>
Resident real estate,	\$465,025.00
Non-resident real estate,	958,050.00
Total real estate,	<u>\$1,423,075.00</u>
Total valuation,	<u>\$1,469,700.00</u>
Total resident valuation,	\$506,350.00
Total non-resident valuation,	963,350.00
Total valuation,	<u>\$1,469,700.00</u>
Rate of taxation, \$15.40 per \$1,000.00.	
Tax on personal estate,	\$718.03
Tax on real estate,	21,915.35
Total property tax,	<u>\$22,633.38</u>
Tax on 234 polls,	468.00
Total tax assessed,	<u>\$23,101.38</u>
Town tax assessed,	\$18,697.68

State tax assessed,	\$1,280.00
County tax assessed,	\$2,698.80
Overlayings,	424.90
Total tax assessed May 1st, 1889.	<u>\$23,101.38</u>

Tax bills delivered to Zenas D. Linton, Collector, July 31, 1889.

The following memoranda is taken from the Assessors book for 1889 :

Number of horses,	98
“ cows,	84
“ dwelling houses,	1,020
“ acres of land assessed,	3,308
“ tax payers,	1,434
“ poll tax only,	73
“ persons paying tax on property,	1,361

Town Property.

The following is a schedule of town property as furnished by the Selectmen.

School buildings and land,	\$2,500.00
Other building and furnishings,	3,650.00
One lot on Pequot avenue,	300.00

FIRE APPARATUS.

Pumping station and water works,	\$8000.00	
One steam fire engine,	2,800.00	
Two hose carts,	250.00	
One hose wagon and fixtures,	350.00	
Hose and pipes,	2,000.00	
Two chemical engines,	800.00	
One hook and ladder truck,	100.00	
Fire alarm,	1,000.00	
Well and cisterns,	500.00	15,800.00
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		\$22,250.00

Exempted Property.

Catholic church and land,	\$1,000.00
Baptist “ “	2,200.00
Baptist Association, temple and land,	2,000.00
“ “ office “	2,500.00
Methodist church,	3,000.00
“ chapel,	1,500.00
Methodist Association, tabernacle and land,	25,000.00
“ “ office “	1,000.00
Methodist Society, parsonage and land,	2,000.00
Methodist Ladies Aid Society, cottage,	300.00
Baldwin Place Home, buildings and land,	5,000.00
Martha's Vineyard Summer Institute, Agassiz Hall,	3,500.00
“ “ Association band stand and land,	1,000.00
Union Chapel Association, church and land,	6,000.00
Episcopal Society, church and land,	4,000.00
	\$60,000.00

Appropriations for 1889.

Schools,	\$1,300.00	
School expenses,	250.00	\$1,550.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Engineer steamer No. 1,	150.00	
“ Pumping Station,	300.00	
Fireman Steamer No. 1,	15.00	
Steward “ House,	200.00	
“ Hydrant Hose House,	50.00	
“ Chemical No. 2, House,	25.00	
Firemen,	380.00	
Fuel and Lights,	145.00	
Contingent expenses,	300.00	
Decorating Hydrants and Steamer Rooms,	100.00	\$1665.00

SUNDRIES.

Repairs of concrete,	450.00
Police,	400.00
Board of Health,	140.00
Draw Tender, Lagoon Bridge,	150.00
Incidentals,	1000.00
Town Library,	200.00
Assessors,	300.00
Selectmen and Overseers of Poor,	75.00
School Committee,	75.00
Memorial Day Services,	25.00

Fire alarm services for 1888,	\$25.00
Building for Chemical No. 2,	400.00
Cemetery,	50.00
Support of Poor,	200.00
Town Treasurer,	100.00
Town Clerk,	40.00
Lighting Streets,	1,000.00
Sweeping, “	150.00
Bulk Heads and Bridges,	800.00
Repairs of Roads,	450.00
Night Watchman,	450.00
Night Watchman extra for 1888,	50.00
Collector of Taxes,	300.00
Reimbursment of Messrs. Davis and Foss with interest,	227.68
Concrete on Wayland Avenue,	350.00
Town Debt and Interest,	8,050.00
Auditor 1888,	25.00
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Total appropriations,	\$18,697.68

Expenditures.

SELECTMEN AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Ezekiel H. Matthews, services,	\$25.00
Thomas D. Crowell, “	25.00
Hamilton J. Greene, “	25.00

\$75.00

ASSESSORS.

Ezekiel H. Matthews, services,	100.00
Thomas D. Crowell “	100.00
Hamilton J. Greene, “	100.00

\$300.00

TOWN CLERK.

Henry H. Davis, services,	\$40.00
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TREASURER.

Zenas D. Linton, services,	\$100.00
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SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Oliver E. Linton, services,	\$25.00
Mrs. Ann E. S. Buzzell “	25.00
Henry H. Davis services, from March 1st., 1889,	
to Oct. 1, 1889,	14.58
Edmund G. Eldridge, services from Oct. 1st., 1889,	
to March 1890.	10.42

\$75.00

AUDITOR.

Herbert L. Norton,	\$25.00
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BOARD OF HEALTH.

Job H. Gorham, services,	46.66
Edmund G. Beetle, “	46.66
Samuel P. Huxford, “	50.00

\$143.32

Schools.

F. A. Douglas, salary 9 months at \$65 per month,	\$585.00
Agnes L. Wyllie, “ 9 “ 40 “	360.00
Millie Worth, “ 9 “ 30 “	270.00
Eunice G. Mayhew, 6 “ 25 “	150.00
“ “ Care of school room,	5.00

William J. Gough, making fires and sweeping,	\$46.00
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“ “ services	3.00	49.00
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Fisher, Huxford & Co., coal,	3.38
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E. G. Beetle, wood,	2.25
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William R. Peakes, wood,	4.25
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Henry H. Davis, supplies,	\$2.17
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“ “ freight and express,	2.85
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“ “ postage and oath to return,	1.05
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“ “ team to south school,	1.00
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“ “ taking census of children,	2.00	9.07
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Robert W. Taber, school supplies,	8.57
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L. Boden Jr. “ “	20.60
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H. L. Norton & Co., coal,	47.50
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\$1,514.62

School Expenses.

E. G. Beetle, rent of room for truants,	10.00
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C. A. Joy, labor and material,	37.58
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A. F. Hamblin, covering school books,	1.50
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John F. Alden, labor and material,	\$41.59
Joseph Dias, supplies,	3.15
B. F. Rice, repairing pumps,	10.90
Charles Strahan, school notice,	1.50
William H. Davis, labor and material,	3.35
L. Nichols & Co., chairs, curtains etc.,	11.23
Linton, Worth & Co., supplies	2.20
E. G. Eldridge, teams and repairing cock,	3.35
Fisher, Huxford & Co., lumber and hardware,	8.79
Moses Chadwick, cartage of chairs,	1.00
D. Appleton & Co., reading chart,	10.00
A. S. Barnes & Co., school books, etc.	49.54
H. S. Hutchinson & Co., school supplies,	16.26
Robert W. Taber, school supplies,	32.39
A. C. Stockin, school books,	10.80
Gim & Co., school supplies,	12.30
William J. Gough, white-washing,	6.00
“ “ “ repairing black boards etc.	3.00
Boston School Supply Co., school supplies,	4.40
John L. Mayhew, stove pipe,	1.60
Milton Bradley & Co., supplies,	4.35
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	\$286,78

Police.

JASON L. DEXTER, Chief.

Jason L. Dexter, services 72 days from July 1st., to September 10th 1889, at \$2.50 per day,	\$180.00
Paid Henry Horton, Frank Bunker and G. R. Bailey one dollar each for Police duty,	3.00
Andrew Warren, services, 79 days at \$2 per day,	158.00
E. B. Andrews, “ 38 “ “	76.00
Eli A. Leighton, “ 6 “ “	12.00

Henry F. Norton, services watching night of July 3,	\$2.00
Frank P. Bunker, " " " " "	2.00
Henry T. Luce, " " " " "	2.00
G. R. Bailey, " " " " "	2.00
Nathan D. Webb, " " " " "	2.00
Fred L. Grant, " " " " "	2.00
Joseph Chadwick, " " " " "	1.50
John Sandiford, " " " " "	2.00
E. S. Church, " " " " "	2.00
William A. Vanderhoof, " " July 4th,	2.00
" " state election,	2.00
E. G. Eldridge, rent of room for police office,	45.00
Linton, Worth & Co., supplies,	.58
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	\$496.08

Draw Tender.

Presbury C. Cromwell, drawtender at Lagoon	
Bridge, one year,	\$150.00

Support of Poor.

Paid Mary E. Look, for board of Fanny W.	
Norton from Feb., 1st., 1889, to Feb., 1st.,	
1890, 12 months,	\$130.33
Paid Dr. Leach for services rendered Rocker,	15.00
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	\$145.33

Decorating Hydrant and Steamer House.

E. N. Russell, decorating Hydrant	
Hose room,	\$50.00
E. N. Russell, decorating Steamer room,	50.00
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	\$100.00

Putting Well at Union Chapel.

John L. Mayhew labor and material,	\$106.80
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Memorial Day.

H. W. Coye, voted at annual meeting,	\$25.00
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Sweeping Streets.

Under direction of Selectmen,

Howland & Francis Iron works for street sweepers,	\$6.35
Frank P. Bunker 279 1-2 hours labor 20 cts. an hour,	55.95
Joe LeCombra, 7 1-2 " " " "	1.50
Manuel Pitcher, 7 " " 25 "	1.75
Fred C. Gifford, 163 1-2 " " 20 "	32.70
Adreano Silvey, 158 " " "	31.60
Linton, Worth & Co., supplies,	3.00
Joseph Amos 14 hours labor,	2.80
Manuel Codones 10 hours labor,	2.00
Manuel Vincent, carting water, cleaning street and carting steamer back,	9.75
	\$147.40

Chemical House.

E. H. Matthews, doors and windows,	\$39.05
T. D. Crowell, concrete,	10.20
Fred. O. Luce, sawing plank, etc.,	2.00
Henry T. Luce, two winows,	2.40
C. F. Dunham, clapboards,	40.25
N. B. M. V. & N. Steamboat Co., freight,	1.44
Howland & Francis, iron work for doors,	5.65
Samuel P. Huxford, labor,	\$52.00
" " " material	2.56 54.56
George A. Rice, labor,	136.55
Andrew Warren, labor, and material,	52.92
C. A. Joy,	68.46
Fisher, Huxford & Co., lumber and hardware,	90.18
Henry H. Rice, lumber,	17.43
	\$521.09

Reimbursement of Davis & Foss.

Paid Davis & Foss for cash paid on Highland drive, \$112.00	
Paid Davis & Foss interest on \$112.00 from September 1st, 1882 to March 1st, 1889, at 6 per cent.	43.68
on \$400 from September 1st, 1882, to Sept. 1st 1885, at 6 per cent,	72.00
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	\$227.68

NOTE.—March 11th 1889, voted the town reimburse William H. Davis and Otis Foss in the sum of one hundred and twelve dollars with interest, lost by them while Selectmen on subscriptions for building the Highland drive.

Night Watchman.

John B. Chandler, 12 months services from March 1st., 1889 to March 1st., 1890, at 37.50 per month,	\$450.00
Extra pay for year 1888, vote of town meeting,	50.00
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	\$500.00

Firemen.

Hydrant Hose Company No. 1, services of 19 men, 12 months,	\$95.00
Steamer Company No. 1, services of 17 men, 12 months,	85.00
Good Will Hose, services of 9 men, 12 months,	\$45.00
1 man, eleven months,	4.60
	49.60
Chemical Contest No. 2, services of 4 men, 12 months,	\$20.00
1 man, eleven months,	4.58
1 man, ten months,	4.17

2 men nine months,	\$5.90	
4 men, eight months,	13.33	\$47.98
Hook & Ladder Company, services of 13		
men 6 months,	32.50	
12 men, six months,	30.00	
1 man, three month,	1.25	
1 man, two months,	.82	\$64.57
Engineer Steamer No. 1, Joseph F. Tripp,		
services one year,		\$150.00
Fireman Steamer No. 1, Frank Tripp,		
services one year,		\$15.00
Janitor of Steamer House and Town Hall,		
Joseph F. Tripp one year,		\$200.00
Janitor of Hydrant Hose House Fred		
Hathaway 3, months,	12.50	
John Sandiford 9 months,	37.50	\$50.00
Janitor of Chemical Hose House No. 2,		
John L. Mayhew, services one year,		\$25.00

Engineer of Pumping Station.

Robert H. Chase, services 5 months \$25	\$125.00
Arthur C. Smith services 6 1-2 months,	\$164.55

Fuel and Lights, Fire Department.

Linton, Worth & Co. oil,	\$13.80
William R. Peakes, wood,	7.00
T. D. Crowell, supplies,	4.24
L. Nicholas & Co., lamp shade and wick,	.85
B. D, Crowell, coal,	21.10
Fisher, Huxford & Co., coal,	10.13
Cottage City Gas Co., gas,	17.15
M. W. Chadwick, carting wood,	.35
H. L. Norton & Co., coal,	34.54
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	\$109.16

Cemetery.

George H. Davis, one cylinder,	\$3.00	
“ “ labor on pump,	2.50	\$5.50
Hiram Daggett, lead and oil,	10.77	
“ “ labor on fence,	14.52	25.29
Job. H. Gorham, lead and oil,	19.61	
“ “ labor on fence,	7.70	
“ “ hardware,	4.29	
“ “ supplies,	.42	32.02
E. S. Church labor,		7.15
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		\$69.96

Lighting Streets.

Cottage City Gas Co., electric lights,	\$475.00
“ “ “ gas “	150.98
“ “ “ repairing street lamp,	.30
Edward Healis, tending lights and labor,	168.75
Otis Foss oil,	11.55
H. L. Norton & Co., oil and labor,	1.50
A. R. Gifford, oil, chimneys etc,	20.02
J. L. Meyhew, repairing lanterns,	3.23
E. H. Matthews, labor and material,	13.72
C. A. Joy, glass for lanterns,	6.30
Linton, Worth & Co., oil and chimneys,	16.00
Thomas D. Crowell, oil and supplies,	19.38
Wood, Blackmer & Potter, “	24.38
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	\$911.23

Incidentals.

H. M. Knowlton town counsel to April 1st., 1890,	\$25.00
I. N. Luce, services as moderator of annual town meetings of 1888 and 1889,	10.00
Fisher, Huxford & Co., lumber and hardware, Firemens Hall,	16.00

H. J. Greene, copying valuation book for state,	\$12.50	
C. A. Joy, painting Selectmen's room,	2.70	
Fisher, Huxford & Co., lumber for ballot boxes,	8.12	
E. N. Russell signs for dumping ground,	4.00	
Samuel P. Huxford, services as teller,	2.50	
" " labor on sign boards for dumping ground,		1.50
E. H. Matthews, telegraph messages, Parks and Avenues,	2.40	
E. H. Matthews, examining records,	2.50	
" " expense to Boston and return.	16.61	
" " six days services,	15.00	
" " expense to New Bedford and return,	17.00	
E. H. Matthews, services,	27.50	
" " labor and material on ballot boxes,	10.80	
E. H. Matthews, services election day,	2.50	
" " services as registrar,	5.00	
" " militia roll and dog census,	2.50	101.21
Burr Index Co., one Burr Index,		7.50
S. F. Adams, witness fees,		1.60
J. A. Piper, " "		2.00
Charles Strahan, 500 town reports,	\$68.00	
" " extra table work,	6.00	
" " printing postal cards,	6.00	
" " publishing seven warrants,	47.75	
" " " finance notice,	1.00	
" " notice to bring in bills,	1.50	
" " " registration notice,	11.00	
" " " dog notice,	5.25	
" " " Assessors notice,	10.00	
" " " baggage notice,	3.50	
" " " fireworks "	2.75	
" " school committee notice,	1.50	

labels for sealer of weights and measuers,	1.00	
tax books for Assessors,	10.00	
Collectors notices,	2.90	
blanks and forms,	2.50	
papers and envelopes,	5.50	
notice proposals for water,	7.00	
" Board of Health,	10.00	
" dumping ground,	4.50	
500 permits.	3.00	
50 licenses,	1.50	
printing polling lists,	7.00	
" cards for selectmen,	2.00	
publishing concrete notice,	1.00	\$222.15
Cottage City Gas Co., gas for town hall,		\$2.98
" " " " Selectmen's room,		8.06
Joel Hills, services at the Park and Avenue hearing,	20.55	
William Bradley, " " " "	32.65	
E. P. Carpenter, " " " "	24.50	
Robert Carpenter, " " " "	5.00	
H. A. Pickering, " " " "	152.10	
A. G. Wesley, services distributing ballots,	2.50	
George A. Burgess, " " "	2.50	
Otis Foss, services as teller,	2.50	
Charles Bates, " inspector state election,	2.50	
William H. Davis, services as teller,	2.50	
T. J. Walker, M. D., return of five births,	1.25	
Joshua T. Baker, carting settees,	.75	
Silas J. Dix, sawing wood selectmen's room,	1.40	
Job H. Gorham, reporting deaths 1888-9,	11.00	
Andrew Warren, serving annual meeting warrant,	1.50	
" " " 8 notices layout of roads,	2.40	
T. R. Holley obstracts of conveyances from		
April 30th, 1888 to May 1st., 1889,	9.50	
George Silvia, labor cleaning Lake Anthony,	7.60	

John H. Crowell surveying town ways,	\$28.18	
“ “ “ parks and lots,	37.07	
“ “ expense to New Bedford,	14.30	\$79.55
Henry H. Davis, recording sixteen births,	8.00	
“ “ “ 9 marriages,	1.35	
“ “ “ 20 deaths,	4.00	
“ “ “ 3 “	.30	
services clerk of registrars,	5.00	
“ attending meeting of clerks,	2.50	
expense for team for same,	1.50	
“ expense on documents and reports,	3.20	
postage stationery and blanks,	4.00	
cartage of ballot box,	.50	\$30.35
Zenas D. Linton, expense to New Bedford		
on town business,	5.00	
expense to Boston, on town business,	10.00	
expense to Edgartown, on “	3.00	18.00
Henry C. Norton, stationery,		3.50
E. G. Beetle, services as truant officer,		5.00
“ “ lease of dumping ground,		5.00
Throp & Adams, tax books,		18.25
N. B. M. V. & N., Steamboat Co., freight,		9.04
T. M. Stetson legal services on Park and Avenue		
case,		786.55
E. H. Matthews expense to Boston on loan,		9.70
Matthews & Buzzell, book case,		27.80
Annie M. White, services on Abbot suit,		152.10
T. D. Crowell, services on election day,	2.50	
service as registrar,	2.50	
“ militia roll, dog census,	2.50	
express and postage,	2.25	
concrete, Fireman's Hall,	18.65	
copying valuation book for state,	12.50	
concrete at town hall,	40.05	
expense to Boston,	9.75	90.70

E. A. Leighton, serving warrants,	\$300	
serving warrants state election,	3.00	
services at state election,	5.00	
" at town meetings,	5.00	
serving notices of town meetings,	3.30	\$19.30
H. J. Greene, services election day,	2.50	
services as registrar,	5.00	
" militia roll, dog census,	2.50	
expense to Boston on water supply		
hearing,	10.67	
3 days services,	7.50	28.17
A. G. Wesley, expense to Boston on water		
supply hearing,	7.38	
3 days services,	7.50	14.88
J. H. Gorham, horse hire, board of health,		1.00
H. M. Knowlton, legal services on Park and		
Avenue case,		780.32
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		\$2789.99

Contingent Expenses, Fire Department.

C. L. Kirby, oil and polish,	\$6.60
George A. Rice, labor,	29.40
William Leach, supplies,	1.00
Linton, Worth & Co., supplies,	5.08
N. B. M. V. & N., Steamboat Co., freight,	2.33
L. Nichols & Co., feather duster,	.87
Howland & Francis, iron work and wrenches,	3.75
J. T. Baker, cartage and freight,	8.55
Cottage City Gas Co., repairs on fire alarm,	1.50
S. P. Huxford, labor,	17.88
Fisher, Huxford & Co., lumber and hardware,	71.08
R. W. Coffin, labor and material,	15.47
B. P. Nickerson, furnishing poles and running	
wire, fire alarm,	17.20

Geo. W. Smith, expense of investigating fire at Bridgett's,		\$15.00
H. H. Rice, lumber and brick,		6.34
J. L. Mayhew, piping for gas, engine house,	13.50	
piping for gas, Hydrant Hose house,	5.59	
labor and material,	80.44	99.53
S. Q. Rice, supplies,		.75
Callahan Co., plaster hooks, fork and net,		75.00
George M. Stevens, glass battery jars,	7.58	
100 battery zincs,	30.00	
repairs on tapper,	1.63	
repairs on gong,	1.63	40.84
Geo. W. Smith, freight and express,		.67
Charles W. Norton, lathing Steamer house,		4.00
John L. Mayhew, labor and material, pumping station,	11.62	
labor and material, Steamer house,		25.94
“ “ Chemical station,		6.66
E. B. Andrus, watching fire, Kedron Ave.,		1.00
C. A. Joy, painting fire alarm boxes,		1.10
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		\$469.16

Water Pipe, Narragansett Avenue.

John L. Mayhew, labor and material,	\$475.33
John Fox, water pipe, lead, etc.,	930.95
A. B. Day, Sudlow valve,	21.80
Howland & Francis, one wrench,	2.50
George A. Smith, carting 36 tons of pipe,	21.60
Moses Chadwick, carting hydrants and valve,	1.00
Holyoke Hydrant Works, four hydrants,	112.00
Thomas D. Crowell, expenses to Boston, Wal- tham and Mansfield on account of pipe, hydrants, etc.,	12.20

Thomas D. Crowell, concrete, covering pipe,	\$157.05
“ “ labor and team, removing	
sand,	17.50
King & Goddard, water gates and valves,	49.48
N. B. M. V. & N. Steamboat Co., freight,	3.41
Thomas D. Crowell, shovels, lanterns and labor,	10.95
Vineyard Grove Co., wharfage,	7.20
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	\$1,822.97

Pipe on Kedron Avenue.

John Fox, pipe, lead, etc.,		\$131.96
J. L. Mayhew, pipe,	\$5.13	
labor, laying pipe,	6.90	
2 shovels,	1.50	\$13.53
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		\$145.49

Bulkheads and Bridges.

Bulkhead, Sea View Ave.,

H. C. Dias,	labor,	\$27.75
E. T. Healis,	“	31.80
E. S. Church,	“	25.60
H. C. Wilbur,	“	13.88
Antone Alley,	“	26.02
C. A. Church,	“	3.00
Geo. Leaman,	“	21.60
Jos. King,	“	.68
Antone Silvia,	“	5.33
Frank Pochaie,	“	7.58
Frank Thomas,	“	9.15
Joseph Perry,	“	6.83
John Peters,	“	9.15
Joseph Petich,	“	9.15
Manuel Enos,	“	6.60

Amos Joseph, labor,	\$6.82
F. C. Gifford, “	26.80
F. P. Bunker, labor with team,	73.50
H. A. Wilbur, “	15.70
Daniel Currier, “	6.00
F. P. Vincent, “	47.50
F. P. Bunker, “	15.50
H. M. Lawton, “	15.00
T. D. Crowell, concreting gutter,	17.75
shovels, rope and oil,	6.35
H. Hayden, shovels,	5.60
C. F. Dunham, plank,	37.34
H. L. Whiting, services, advising plans for protection of Sea View Avenue,	25.00
Z. D. Linton, nails,	.20
C. G. & G. A. Randall, posts and plank,	415.82
“ “ “ “ “	23.23
A. Ripley, labor,	41.74
A. Ripley, “	87.76
S. Pease, “	38.63
M. Francis, “	31.20
H. C. Dias, “	15.90
Geo. Leaman, “	14.80
F. Pochaie, “	15.60
D. Currier, “	19.90
A. D. Silvia, “	22.42
M. Enos, “	18.68
F. C. Gifford, “	32.90
E. R. Smith, “	38.75
J. Pelick, “	10.35
A. Alley, “	16.42
F. Thomas, “	23.25
J. Peters, “	24.45
J. Perry, “	14.85
E. Heales, “	21.90

W. M. Carter, labor,	\$23.33
W. S. Howland, "	10.00
J. H. Gorham, "	15.10
A. Joseph, "	20.18
E. J. Church, "	29.90
F. P. Vincent, "	24.75
S. Pease, "	9.75
F. P. Vincent, "	30.50
Daniel Currier, "	19.80
F. C. Gifford, "	10.00
E. R. Smith, "	34.93
Marion Perry, "	15.00
Joel Swartz, "	15.00
John Swartz, "	14.25
Louis Parker, "	8.00
B. P. Nickerson, "	15.00
W. N. Carter, "	19.20
Owen H. Tilton, lumber,	237.17
Fisher, Huxford & Co., lumber,	79.95
C. C. Hamblin & Son, labor with team,	20.40
H. Stentiford, bolts, labor,	2.40
E. H. Matthews, nails, shovels, etc.,	25.76
Howland & Francis, labor and stock,	105.08
Henry H. Rice, lumber,	249.37
N. B. M. V. & N. Steamboat Co., freight on lumber,	78.75
E. H. Mathews,	1.63
C. G. & G. A. Randall, lumber,	76.71
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	\$2,623.64

BULKHEAD, KEDRON AVENUE.

Chas. T. Luce, 64 ton, stone,	\$96.00
David J. Barney, weighing stone,	7.20
E. G. Beetle, 47 ton, stone,	70.50
J. Mason Mills, 13 1-5 ton stone,	19.80

M. S. De Beltencourt, carting stone,	37.87
Clofus L. Gonyon, labor,	12.75
John G. Chase, “	13.50
Howland & Francis, strainer,	\$6.25
H. L. Norton & Co., Portland cement,	82.50
C. F. James, carting stone,	1.63
T. W. Chapman, sand,	5.00
Geo. A. Smith, 55 1-2 tons of stone,	86.00
John Slench, labor,	40.00
J. T. Baker, carting,	2.00
N. B. M. V. & N. Steamboat Co., freight,	1.85
H. H. Rice, lumber,	28.35
Fisher, Huxford & Co., posts and nails,	2.46
John F. Alden, labor,	26.80
F. P. Bunker, carting,	2.00
C. L. Scranton, 18 tons stone,	27.00
T. D. Crowell, lanterns, globe, shovel, etc.,	2.50
J. Peters, labor,	7.50
L. Peters, “	15.40
J. Silvia, “	1.50
John Swartz, “	36.20
“ “ “	37.80
“ “ “	9.60
“ “ “	10.00
“ “ “	2.00
“ “ “	2.00
J. Metill, “	.75
Peter M. Pease, “	106.00
Domingo Alley, “	1.50
John Peters, “	.75
T. D. Crowell, 500 yds., concrete,	225.00
“ “ labor of team,	15.25
E. R. Smith, labor, Lagoon Bridge,	2.15
Z. D. Linton, hardware “ “	.35
H. H. Rice, lumber, “ “	6.04

B. B. Leighton, labor, " "	6.00
H. C. Dias, " " "	2.80
E. H. Matthews, " and hardware, Lagoon Bridge,	8.67

\$1,069.22

Repairs on Roads.

Bills approved by E. R. Smith,

Manuel Francis, Jr., labor,	\$38.25
E. M. Smith, " "	9.00
F. J. Perry, " "	4.50
W. M. Carter, " "	1.50
F. L. Grant, " "	2.25
E. H. Tilton, " "	1.50
Hiram Daggett, " "	15.00
B. B. Leighton, " "	16.50
Antone Rose, " "	18.00
Leander Peters, " "	3.16
T. A. Spencer, " "	3.00
M. S. Machado, " "	6.00
C. M. F. Vincent, " "	3.00
Manuel Enos, " "	6.00
J. W. Simmonds, " "	8.25
Lewis Marshall, " "	6.00
Mason Mills, " "	6.00
W. W. Smith, " "	7.50
B. B. Leighton, " "	3.90
D. D. Norton, " "	6.00
R. A. Davis, loam and gravel,	16.72

CHAS. T. LUCE AND E. R. SMITH, SURVEYORS.

Bills approved by C. T. Luce,

E. G. Beetle, labor and loam,	17.90
C. T. Luce, labor,	21.80
James Casey, " "	4.50

John Ross,	labor,	\$4.50
Manuel Francis,	"	18.00
M. S. De Beltencourt,	"	25.95
J. C. Hamblin,	"	10.85
Antone Rose,	"	13.50
T. H. Norton,	"	2.55
J. E. Francis,	"	18.00
Geo. A. Smith,	"	2.00
W. W. Smith,	"	3.00
F. P. Bunker,	"	5.25
Lewis Marshall,	"	3.00
Jos. Burgess,	"	5.10
J. W. Simmonds,	"	6.00
Mason Mills,	"	5.40
W. A. Norton,	"	9.00
E. R. Smith,	"	49.07
Antone Duart,	"	10.59

\$416.20

State Aid.

William W. Smith,	\$28.00
Elizabeth Smith	12.00
Lucy A. Howland,	28.00
Antoinette J. Dallon,	12.00

\$80.00

Fire Alarm.

George W. Smith,	\$25.00
B. T. Nickerson,	7.25

\$32.25

Town Library.

F. P. Vincent, books purchased,	\$90.86
“ “ expressage,	2.16

F. P. Vincent, wood,	\$3.00	
“ “ labor and material, book case, 11.08		\$107.10
Smith & Norton, rent of room,		40.00
Addie F. Hamblin, services as librarian,		52.00
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		\$199.10

Road to Eastville.

Messrs. Luce & Daggett, labor and material improving road near residence of I C. Norton,		\$100.08
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Town Hall.

Fisher Huxford & Co., lumber, hardware, etc.		\$182.90
Andrew Warren, plastering,		95.01
C. A. Joy, painting inside,		28.20
“ “ “ outside,		18.37
S. P. Huxford, labor,		41.63
George A. Rice, “		168.55
E. H. Matthews, “		8.25
John L. Mayhew “ and material,		30.50
C. W. Norton, lathing,		21.60
R. W. Coffin, plastering,		7.38
Moses Chadwick, carting,		3.20
C. F. James, “		2.50
Linton, Worth & Co., hardware, window cords,		6.88
E. N. Russell, labor and material,		22.56
John L. Mayhew, gas fixtures,	28.00	
“ “ stove,	40.00	
“ “ lamp bracket,	8.75	
“ “ labor and supplies,	20.52	97.27
Levi. Bolles & Son, windows and doors,		13.86
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		\$748.67

Repairs of Concrete.

Thomas D. Crowell, labor and materials,	\$496.10
Thomas W. Chapman, “ “	7.90
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	\$504.00

Concrete on Weyland Avenue.

Thomas W. Chapman, labor and material,	\$350.00
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Concrete on Massachusetts Avenue.

Thomas D. Crowell, labor and material,	\$279.00
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NOTE.—At a town meeting held Oct., 3d. 1889, it was voted that the town accept Massachusetts Avenue, as laid out by the Selectmen, and that the way be concreted a distance of 620 feet, provided one half the expense is paid by private parties.

Amount of Orders Drawn.

BY THE SELECTMEN, 1889-90.

Selectmen,	\$75.00
Assessors,	300.00
Treasurer,	100.00
Town Clerk,	40.00
Auditor for 1888,	25.00
School Committee,	75.00
Schools,	1,514.62
School Expenses,	286.78
Engineer of Pumping Station,	289 55
Engineer of Steamer No. 1 House,	150.00
Firemen Steamer No. 1	15.00
Steward of Steamer No. 1 House,	200.00
Steward of Hydrant Hose House,	50.00
Steward of Chemical House,	25.00
Firemen,	342.15
Fuel and Lights Fire Department,	109.16
Contingent Expenses,	469.16
Decorating Hydrant Hose and Steamer No. 1 rooms,	100.00
Repairs of Concrete,	504.00
Police,	496.08
Board of Health,	143.32
Draw Tender Lagoon Bridge,	150.00
Town Hall,	748.67
Incidentals,	2,789.99
Town Library,	199.10

Memorial Day services,	\$25.02
Fire Alarm Service for 1888,	32.25
Chemical House,	521.09
Cemetery,	69.96
Support of Poor,	145.33
Lighting Streets,	911.23
Sweeping Streets,	147.40
Repairs of Roads,	416.20
Night Watchman,	450.00
Night Watchman extra for 1888,	50.00
Reimbursement of Davis & Foss,	227.68
Concrete on Wayland Avenue,	350.00
Well at Union Chapel,	106.80
Pipe on Narragansett Avenue,	1,822.97
State Aid,	80.00
Bulk Head Sea View,	2,623.64
Bulk Head Kedron Avenue and Lagoon Bridge,	1,069.22
Road at Eastville,	100.98
Pipe on Kedron Avenue,	145.49
Concrete on Massachusetts Avenue,	279.00
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Total	\$18,771.82
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Orders paid, see Treasurer's account	\$18,223.58
Orders unpaid,	548.24
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	\$18,771.82

List of Jurors.

List of names selected by the Selectmen to be placed in the Jurours' box from which to draw Grand and Travers Jurors, to be presented to the Town for their acceptance at the annual meeting, March 10, 1890.

William B. Ripley,

Arthur C. Frances,

John C. Hamblin,

David J. Barney,

Eli A. Leighton,

John G. Chace,

Samuel P. Huxford,

H. C. Norton,

Benjamin F. Rice 2d.

Edward R. Smith,

George A. Smith,

Darius D. Norton,

Augustus G. Wesley,

Charles Snow,

John E. Look,

George W. Mason,

Alonzo Ripley,

Francis P. Vincent.

RECAPITULATION.

Unexpended.	Appropriations.	Departments.	Expenditures.	Overdrawn.
	\$75 00	Selectmen and Overseers.	\$75 00	
	300 00	Assessors.	300 00	
	100 00	Town Treasurer.	100 00	
	40 00	Town Clerk.	40 00	
	75 00	School Committee.	75 00	
	25 00	Auditor for 1888.	25 00	
	1,300 00	Schools.	1,514 62	\$214 62
	250 00	School Expenses.	286 78	36 78
10 45	300 00	Engineer Pumping Station.	289 55	
	150 00	Engineer Steamer No. 1.	150 00	
	15 00	Fireman.	15 00	
	200 00	Steward Steamer House.	200 00	
	50 00	Steward Hydrant Hose House.	50 00	
	25 00	Steward Chemical House.	25 00	
37 85	380 00	Fireman.	342 15	
35 84	145 00	Fuel and Lights Fire Department.	109 16	
	300 00	Contingent Expenses.	469 16	169 16
	100 00	Decorating Steamer and Hydrant rooms.	100 00	
	450 00	Repairs of Concrete.	504 00	54 00
	400 00	Police.	496 08	96 08
	140 00	Board of Health	143 32	3 32
	150 00	Draw Tender Lagoon Bridge.	150 00	
		Town Hall.	748 67	748 67

90	1,000 00	Incidentals.	.	.	.	2,789 99	1,789 99
	200 00	Library.	.	.	.	199 10	
	25 00	Memorial Day.	.	.	.	25 00	
	25 00	Fire Alarm Service. 1888.	.	.	.	32 25	7 25
	400 00	Chemical House.	.	.	.	521 09	121 09
	50 00	Cemetery.	.	.	.	69 96	19 96
54 67	200 00	Support of Poor.	.	.	.	145 33	
88 77	1,000 00	Lighting Streets.	.	.	.	911 23	
2 60	150 00	Sweeping Streets.	.	.	.	147 40	
	800 00	Bulkheads and Bridges.	.	.	.		
33 80	450 00	Repairs of Roads.	.	.	.	1,069 22	269 22
	450 00	Night Watchman.	.	.	.	416 20	
	50 00	Extra for 1888.	.	.	.	450 00	
300 00	300 00	Collector of Taxes.	.	.	.	50 00	
	227 68	Reimbursement of Davis & Foss.	.	.	.	227 68	
	350 00	Concrete on Wayland Avenue.	.	.	.	350 00	
		Well at Union Chapel.	.	.	.	106 80	106 80
		State Aid.	.	.	.	80 00	80 00
		Pipe on Narragansett Avenue.	.	.	.	1,822 97	1 822 97
		Bulkhead Sea View.	.	.	.	2,623 64	2 623 64
		Road at Eastville.	.	.	.	100 98	100 98
		Concrete on Massachusetts Avenue.	.	.	.	279 00	279 00
		Pipe on Kedron Avenue.	.	.	.	145 49	145 49
8,124 14	8,124 14	Balance.	.	.	.		
\$8,689 02		\$18,771 82					
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Tax Collections.

COLLECTION OF TAXES FOR 1887.

Uncollected,		\$2,126.19
March,	\$96.08	
April,		
May,	90.02	
June,	35.93	
July,	140.09	
August,	22.75	
September,	467.88	
October,	32.31	
November,		
December,	32.40	
January,	21.52	
February,	17.44	956.42
Balance,		\$1,169.77

COLLECTIONS FOR 1888.

Uncollected,		\$5,522.25
March,	\$159.75	
April,	271.19	
May,	221.65	
June,	670.54	
July,	264.67	
August,	620.61	
September,	567.56	
October,	80.87	

November,	\$344.70	
December,	.78	
1890.		
January,	13.89	
February,	24.08	
		\$3,240.29

Balance,		\$2,281.96
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COLLECTIONS 1889.

Commitment,		\$23,101.38
August,	7,160.70	
September,	4,189.48	
October,	3,596.05	
November,	1,637.67	
December,	593.00	
January,	477.93	
February,	339.68	\$17,984.41
Uncollected, March, 10.		\$5,116.97

Treasurer's Report.

ZENAS LINTON, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH TOWN OF
COTTAGE CITY.

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Cash on hand,		\$2,061.72
I. A. Evans & Co., temporary loan during the year,	\$4.000	
Geo. Fifield, temporary loan during the year,	2.000	
Barnard & Stanwood, tempor- ary loan during the year,	1,500	7,500.00
Z. D. Linton, collected, 1887,		956.42
“ “ “ 1888,		3,240.29
“ “ “ 1889,		17,984.41
Corporation & Bank, tax,		197.98
Income, school fund,		156.05
County Treasurer, dog tax,		64.33
License, pool and billiards,		19.00
License for auctioneers,		8.00
License for carriages and baggage,		46.00
License for Druggist,		2.00
Rent of cesspool cart,		30.00
Sale of plank, bulkhead,		2.50
State Treasurer on account of paupers,		15.00
Rent of Pequot hall,		5.00
License, dime museum,		2.00
		<hr/> \$32,290.70
Loan I. A. Evans,		5.000.00
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State Treasurer note due September,	\$3000.00
Interest on the above,	20.62
State Treasurer note,	1,500.00
Interest on the above,	31.00
Interest on 6 notes, \$13.400 due State,	327.00
Interest on 5 " " \$11.900 due State,	297.00
" notes for \$6.000 " "	135.00
" on 5 notes, \$5.000 " "	106.25
" on notes, \$6.000 " "	67.50
George Fifield, note paid,	1,500.00
Merchants Bank, note paid,	2,500.00
" " " " "	1,500.00
Interest on temporary loans and renewals,	275.10
State tax,	1,280.00
County tax,	2,698.80
Bonds with Edgartown,	2,527.89
Interest on bonded debt,	143.09
Orders drawn for year ending March 1888,	296.71
" " " " " 1889,	18,223.52
Balance on hand,	861.22
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	\$37,290.70

Liabilities and Assets.

LIABILITIES.

Loan from State, 6 per cent,	\$5,900.00
“ “ 4 1-2 per cent,	3,000.00
“ “ 4 per cent,	1,500.00
“ “ 4 per cent,	1,500.00
“ “ 4 per cent,	1,500.00
“ “ 4 per cent,	1,500.00
Loan from E. A. Evans & Co., at 4 1-4 per cent,	1,000.00
“ “ “ “ “ per cent,	1,000.00
“ “ “ “ “ per cent,	1,000.00
“ “ “ “ “ per cent,	1,000.00
“ “ “ “ “ per cent,	1,000.00
Temporary loan, at 3 1-2 per cent, due June 22, 1890,	4,000.00
Temporary loan, at 5 1-2 per cent, due July 1, 1890,	2,000.00
Temporary loan, at 4 per cent, due August 14, 1890,	1,500.00
Unpaid bonds with Edgartown,	2,527.89
Outstanding orders,	548.24
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	\$30,476.13

ASSETS.

Sinking fund,	\$12.25
Uncollected taxes,	10,098.93
Due from Gay Head,	20.00
Deeds of land sold for taxes,	275.00
Cash in Treasury,	861.22
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	\$11,267.40

NOTE.—The Ichabod Norton bequest amounts to \$222.-54. There is due from Edgartown on this bequest \$496.20 and interest \$29.78. Due from State \$80.00 for State aid.

Town Clerk's Report.

Report of Births, Marriages and Deaths.

BIRTHS, 1889.

Date.	Name of Child.	Sex.	Name of Parents.
January 22	Lawrence J. Thomas.	M	Lawrence J. and Mary R. Thomas.
" 22	Mary Pacheco.	F	Amos and Mary Pacheco.
February 15	Amey Metell.	F	Jose Pand and Maqueline Metell.
" 25	Louisa A. Reed.	F	Albert E. and Clara H. Reed.
March 4	Mary B. Ripley.	F	William B. and Adalyn Ripley.
" 16	Mary Pacheco.	F	Manuel and Louisa Pacheco.
May 1	Hazel May Willard.	F	William F. and Annie C. Willard.
" 5	Philomena Peters.	F	John and Mary Peters.
" 21	Louisa Sylva.	F	John and Henrietta Sylva.
August 1	Hester C. Kugler.	F	William E. and Bertha C. Kugler.
" 16	Martha V. Cobb.	F	E. O. and Martha L. Cobb.
" 17	Howard A. Chadwick.	M	Elmer C. and Martha E. Chadwick
" 25	Addie C. Norton.	F	Clement and Minnie F. Norton.
October 1	Frank Pacheco	M	Frank and Augusta Pacheco.
" 27	Robert H. Nickerson.	M	Benjamin P. and Margaret B. Nickerson.
December 3	Irene V. Landers.	F	Elmer E. and Ruthie E. Landers.

MARRIAGES.

Date.	Name.	Age.	Residence.	Where Born.
January 31	Elmer C. Chadwick,	20	Cottage City.	Edgartown.
" 18	Martha E. Norton.	18	Tisbury.	Tisbury.
February 14	Frank W. Jennings,	22	Cottage City.	Little Compton.
" 23	Frances L. Crowell.	23	" "	Edgartown.
April 23	Eugene Hayden,	40	" "	Randolph.
" 25	Annie E. Osborn.	25	Edgartown.	Edgartown.
April 30	Barney B. Leighton,	75	Cottage City.	Addison, Me.
" 45	Mary J. Look.	" "	" "	Edgartown.
July 16	Maurice S. Carlson,	27	" "	At sea.
" 22	Nellie L. Bosworth.	" "	" "	New Bedford.
August 23	John M. Stearns,	78	Brooklyn, N. Y.	Reading, Vt.
" 62	Katie Vesper.	62	Thomaston, Me.	Bedford, N. Y.
September 24	E. Bradford Mosher,	29	Chicago, Ill.	New Bedford.
" 26	Sadie A. Chadwick.	26	Cottage City.	Madison, Wis.
October 7	Moses B. Jeffers.	27	Edgartown.	Gay Head.
" 52	Hattie N. Belain.	" "	" "	Edgartown.
October 19	Charles F. Norton,	34	Cottage City.	Providence.
" 24	Hattie J. Givens.	24	" "	Tisbury.

DEATHS.

Date.	Name.	Age.			Cause of Death.
		Y	M	D	
January	7 Phebe N. Wilbur.	68	11		Pneumonia.
"	24 Philander Stewart.	42	3	15	Consumption.
February	8 Daniel F. Pratt.	13	4	25	Fever.
March	9 John Eddy.	75	11	11	Heart Disease.
April	1 ——— Leaman.				Still Born.
"	3 Elisha T. Smith.	72	6		Chronic Cystitis.
"	21 Alfred Chaves.	5	5	8	Diphtheria.
"	23 *Blanche K. Underhill.	8	8	13	Peritonitis.
May	15 Lucy A. Rathburn.	62	5	9	Heart Disease.
June	14 Mary S. Nye.	49		2	Bronchitis and Heart Disease.
July	6 *Hiram Hodges.	84	3	13	Paralysis.
"	8 *Albert H. Manchester.	85	6	21	Hemorage.
August	16 *Hiram Forbes.	59	11	11	Paralysis.
"	25 *Mary Fuller.	52			Heart Disease.
September	6 *Rodney C. Ward.	52	1	8	" " "
"	14 *Mary A. Simmons	66			" " "
"	17 *Henry M. Littlefield.	65	5	23	Acute Hepatitis.
"	30 *Lena N. Tyler.	39	5	6	Bright's Disease.
October	13 Frank Pacheco.			13	Inanition.
"	19 James H. B. Gifford.	36	9	25	Billious Typhoid Fever.
November	28 Joseph Noonan.	80			Old Age.
December	6 Caroline S. Smith.	66	10	17	Cancer.
"	16 Letetia R. B. Bates.	57	11	21	"

*Non residents.

SUMMARY.

The following are the statistics of births, marriages and deaths.

BIRTHS.

Number of births registered, 16 ; males 4, females, 12,

MARRIAGES.

Number registered, 9.

DEATHS.

Number of deaths registered, 23 ; males, 14, females, 9.

Dog Tax Account for the Year 1889.

Whole number of dogs licensed, 59

Male, 52

Female, 7

The money for the same has been paid over to the County Treasurer, and receipts taken and placed on file,

HENRY H. DAVIS, Town Clerk.

Board of Health.

J. H. GORHAM, Chairman,
E. G. BEETLE,
S. P. HUXFORD, Secretary,

To the Citizens of Cottage City :

The Board submit the following report :

The sanitary condition of the town has been better the past year than any previous time, the physicians have reported to the Board twelve cases of measles and one of diptheria.

The number of cess-pools and vaults that have been built are in excess of any previous year. And we can say that it has been only by persistent and watchful care that the Board has been able to keep the sanitary affairs of the town up the standard that it now is.

In conclusion we kindly wish that all residents would aid the board by keeping their premises at all times free from all imperfections thereby promoting a blessing to all.

Yours Respectfully,

SAMUEL P. HUXFORD, Secretary.

Report of Board of Engineers.

In submitting this our annual report we wish to congratulate the town for the small number of fires, there having been but one the past year.

THE FORCE.

There has been no change in the force, leaving the Department in same condition as last year.

APPARATUS.

The apparatus consists of one Button Steamer of the fourth class, two hose carriages. one hose wagon, two chemicals of eighty gallons each, one hook and ladder truck and a stationary pump of the Knowles make, situated on the shore of Sunset Lake giving direct pressure to thirteen hydrants, there having been an extension of pipe through Narragansett Avenue with an addition of four hydrants.

HOSE.

There are 3,000 feet of hose 1,000 of which is in poor condition, having been in use six years, and we would recommend the replacing of same with new as soon as possible.

FIRE ALARM.

The fire alarm is in good condition and continues to give satisfaction.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

We respectfully submit to the voters the following recommendations, viz. that the sum of \$1,515 be appropriated for the current and incidental expenses of the department for the ensuing year, also in view of the fact of the introduction of water and the sale of the pump at Pumping Station to the Water Company, would recommend the placing of the building in a good location and fitting the same for the Good Will Hose Company, they having no place for meeting and also for the better protection of the town by having the apparatus located in different parts of same. In conclusion we wish to extend our thanks to the many friends of the Fire Department, and hoping our services have proven satisfactory to the tax payers of the town, we are respectfully yours

GEORGE W. SMITH, Chief.

ZENAS D. LINTON, 3d,

EVERETT JOY, 1st. Asst.

CHARLES SNOW, 4th.

A. BUZZELL, 2d. "

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Engineer, pumping station,	\$300.00
do Steamer No. 1,	150.00
Steward. Steamer House,	200.00
Firemen, Steamer No. 1,	15.00
Steward Hydrant Hose,	50.00
do Chemical No. 2,	25.00
Firemen,	330.00
Fuel and lights,	145.00
Contingent expenses,	300.00
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	\$1,515.00

Respectfully,

GEORGE W. SMITH,

Chief Engineer.

Report of Finance Committee.

The following report of the town Finance Committee is prepared and tendered to the citizens and tax-payers for their examination and approval :

Schools	\$1,300 00	
School expenses	300 00	\$1,600 00

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Engineer and firemen, pumping station	315 00	
Engineer Steamer No. 1	150 00	
Fireman Steamer No. 1	15 00	
Steward Steamer house and hall	200 00	
Steward Hydrant Hose house	50 00	
Steward Chemical No. 2 house	10 00	
Firemen	350 00	
Fuel and lights	145 00	
Contingent expenses	175 00	1,410 00
Police		400 00
Draw tender Lagoon Bridge		150 00
Assessors		300 00
Selectmen and Overseers of poor		75 00
School Committee		75 00
Town Treasurer		100 00
Town Clerk		40 00
Support of poor		200 00
Incidentals		1,000 00

Town library	\$100 00
Repairs of concrete	550 00
New concrete, Temahigan avenue	1,525 00
Memorial Day	25 00
Cemetery	50 00
Lighting streets	1,100 00
Sweeping streets	150 00
Bulkheads and bridges	235 00
Repairs of roads	350 00
Piping from Circuit Ave. to Lake Anthony	900 00
Town debt and interest	8,799 39
State tax	2,678 80
County tax	1,280 00
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Total	\$23,093.19

NOTE—The sum of \$1525, for concreting Temahigan avenue and \$900, for piping from Circuit to Lake avenues, are not included in this year town liabilities.

Your committee recommend that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow money from the state, or other parties, to refund the note of \$5,000 due April 14, 1890.

That the Selectmen be the Board of Health, and they may be authorized to employ a Health officer at not over \$150.

That the various unexpended balances be re-appropriated.

That two electric lights be placed on Highland drive.

That a committee be appointed to confer with Mr. H. J. Greene and abutters on Fisk avenue interested, to make a concrete pathway from Circuit avenue to Fisk avenue wide enough for hose carts to pass through.

S. HAWES NORTON, Chairman.

CHARLES STRAHAN, Secretary.

Annual Town Meeting.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,

DUKES COUNTY, ss.

To either of the Constables in the town of Cottage City,

GREETING :

IN the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Cottage City qualified to vote in town affairs and elections, to assemble at the Town Hall, in said Cottage City, on **MONDAY, THE TENTH DAY OF MARCH, A. D. 1890** at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act upon the following named articles, viz :

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To hear the report of the Selectmen, Auditor, and other committees.

ART. 3. To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

ART. 4. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to pay town debts, expenses and appropriations for the ensuing year, and to make appropriations of the same

ART. 5. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire such sums of money as may be necessary, in anticipation of taxes for the year 1890.

ART. 6. To see if the town will approve the of list persons to serve as jurors as made out by the Selectmen.

ART. 7. To see what action the town will take relative to night watch.

ART. 8. To see if the town will fix a time for the payment of all taxes assessed, and will direct what rate of interest shall be demanded in case taxes are not paid at the time specified.

ART. 9. To see if the town will instruct the Assessors to remit all such taxes as cannot, in their judgment, be collected.

ART. 10. To bring in their ballots, "Yes," or "No," in answer to the question, "Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale of intoxicating liquors?"

ART. 11. To see if the town will pay firemen the ensuing year.

ART. 12. To see if the town will accept the layout of Circuit avenue as made by the Selectmen.

ART. 13. To see if the town will in furtherance of its votes of Nov. 1st and Dec. 10th. A. D. 1889, in relation to a water supply, instruct the committee on the water supply appointed by the town to ask of the legislature the repeal of Chapter 297 of the acts of the year 1886, by which the town of Cottage City was authorized to supply itself and its inhabitants with water for the extinguishment of fire, and for domestic and other purposes.

ART. 14. To see what action the town will take to hasten the introduction of water in accordance with the previous votes of the town, passed Nov. 1st and Dec. 10th, 1889.

ART. 15. To see what action the town will take in relation to building a suitable vault to preserve valuable books and papers of the town.

ART. 16. To see what action the town will take to renew the street and avenue signs.

ART. 17. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money to refurnish the Steamer room.

And to act upon and transact all business which may legally come before said meeting.

Hereof fail not and give public notice by causing this warrant to be published in the Martha's Vineyard Herald, and by posting two copies thereof in two public places in the town at least seven days before the time of said meeting.

And make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place specified in this warrant.

Given under our hands this twenty-eighth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety.

EZEKIEL H. MATTHEWS,	} Selectmen of Cottage City.
HAMILTON J. GREENE.	

Pursuant to above instructions, I hereby notify and warn the inhabitants of said town of Cottage City, qualified to vote in town affairs, as expressed in this warrant, to meet at the time and place and for the purposes specified.

ELI A. LEIGHTON, Constable.

Cottage City, Feb. 27, 1890.

REPORT

—OF THE—

School Committee.

1889 - 90.

Report of School Committee.

To the Citizens of Cottage City :

The past year has been for our schools one of more than average prosperity and success, This result is owing largely to the fact that no change has been made in our corps of teachers. Permanency in his position gives to the observing and judicious teacher not only the advantage acquired by enlarged experience in his profession, but he gains thereby a thorough acquaintance with the pupils under his charge, knows in whom he can place confidence and acquaints himself with the peculiarities and characteristics of each member of his school. The pupil likewise becomes familiar with the methods employed by his teacher, in giving instruction, knows what is expected of him in reference to his studies as well as his conduct and governs himself accordingly.

Another thing among many which has contributed to the prosperity of our schools, is the attention which is paid by our teachers to the details of school work and discipline. If it were sought to frame an injunction containing the most important precept in the fewest words, one best adapted to pupils of any age or of either sex, or belonging to classes of any grade, it could not be better expressed than in these two words: "Be particular." At no time of life is this precept more constantly applicable, than during the period of one's pupilage. It is not well to disregard it even in the most

trivial matters, for so simple a thing as the manner in which a pupil enters or leaves the school room may serve to indicate the spirit that governs the entire routine of his school. Very much beyond the simple requirement of passable recitations, is requisite to complete success. The practice of civility and politeness, regard for punctuality and the value of time, habits of industry and thoughtfulness in study, respect for the rights of others, and alacrity in responding to questions asked, or orders given by the teacher, are features which our teachers have successfully sought to inculcate, and all helps by which we may measure the success or failure of any school, accordingly as they are respected or ignored.

In further considering the condition of our schools, we take special pleasure in reporting that a most commendable feature of the year's work has been manifested by our teachers in striving to develop the reasoning faculties of their pupils, and in assisting them to rely upon themselves in the prosecution of their studies. There is no day, scarcely an hour of any day in the pupil's experience, that he is not called upon, by the nature of the work in which he is engaged, to exercise his reflective powers; and the teacher who can the most readily aid him in his mental processes, is the one who will be the most successful. Such teaching not only helps the pupil in the work of to-day, but in that of tomorrow as well; and in this all important and most essential department of school discipline our teachers occupy an advanced position, and by their careful attention to this special feature of their work, have given a permanency and value to their teaching which will carry its influence for good far into the future.

We hold to the opinion, that a teacher to be successful, should never occupy a position in the rear of his classes. The example of one who does this is demoralizing, and intellectual inertia will be the distinguishing feature of his school. The good teacher must be a leader, always in advance of his

class but within easy reach, extending a helping hand to each member when it is needed, and encouraging him with helpful words. To the credit of our teachers it should be said, that they have shown an appreciative sense of their proper relation to their pupils in this respect, and with marked success have endeavored to make the paths of learning attractive and pleasant, as well as instructive.

Good order in our schools, is one of their distinctive features; this should be observed in all things, in study or recitations, indeed under all circumstances, so long as the school is in session the pupil must be controlled by the impression that orderly conduct which is simply good behavior, is required of him, and will be insisted upon. In this respect our schools are models, worthy of imitation.

Without further comment upon the general condition of our schools, we present our report of their membership, average attendance, etc.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

This school is in charge of Mr. F. A. Douglass who is now on the third year of his service as its teacher. The instruction furnished by him, as well as the manner of imparting it, is thoroughly practical and his pupils are acquiring habits of self reliance, the value of which cannot be overestimated. No member of this school, when his school days are ended, need be unprepared, so far as his education is concerned, to creditably discharge the ordinary duties of life, and no complaint can reasonably be made, that all the needed facilities to that end, are not easily within his reach, or that the best energies of his teacher have not been devoted to his advancement; and if, unfortunately he finds when the present opportunity for study is passed, that he is deficient, he must impute his misfortunes to his own neglect.*

Total number of pupils during the year,	49.
Average membership,	34.4
Average attendance,	27.2

*We ask the careful attention of parents to this point, for we cannot put out of sight the fact that the average attendance in our schools is not what it should be. It is rarely, if ever the case, that our school reports do not contain allusions to this evil of absenteeism, and its disastrous consequences are sought to be impressed upon those whose indifference in this particular is causing great injury to their children. That the rights and the well being of those who are shortly to become citizens should not be jeopardized by the apathy of parents or guardians, the State has found it necessary to embody in its statutes a penal enactment to which we call attention and which is as follows: "Every person having under his control a child between the ages of eight and fourteen years shall annually cause such child to attend for at least twenty weeks some public or day school in the city or town in which he resides; and for every neglect of such duty the person offending shall forfeit to the use of such city or town, a sum not exceeding twenty dollars."—Pub. Statutes, Chap. 47.

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL.

This school has made most gratifying progress during the year. What has been accomplished, which is really very much, is the result of untiring and well directed efforts on the part of the teacher Miss Agnes L. Wyllie, who has been in her present position nearly two years. The orderly and studious habits of the pupils, the invariably tidy appearance of the school room, and the thoroughness which characterizes every department of the daily work, are prominent features of this school, and we take pleasure in according to both teacher and pupils the full measure of praise to which they are justly entitled.

Total number in attendance during the year	67*.
Average membership,	.40
Average attendance,	34.4

*Including fourteen of the first Primary class transferred to this school January 13, 1890.

PRIMARY SCHOOL.

If permanency in any position of trust is evidence of ability and fidelity, then Miss Worth who has taught this school for seven years, has a large claim upon your recognition on these grounds. Her interest in her work shows no sign of abatement, but on the contrary it increases with her enlarged experience, and her school is getting the advantages which result from a deeper insight into the requirements which the duties of her position demand.

This school is constantly increasing in numbers, and the school room can now but barely accommodate those who are entitled to attend, although fourteen were transferred to the Intermediate school at the beginning of the third week of the last term, as a temporary relief from the crowded condition of the Primary room, leaving forty-two members still enrolled upon the Primary register. As there are accommodations for but forty-six pupils, the addition of four more which is likely to occur at any time, would equal the limit of the number that should be permitted to attend this school. None of those now in the Primary school can be transferred for a year or two at least, and we are thus brought to face necessity which exists, of providing more ample accommodations for this class of pupils. This is the one feature of the present condition of your schools, which more than any other, demands your consideration, and we should be remiss in our duty as your committee, if we neglected to urge it upon your attention. In our judgment the best way of meeting the emergency, would be to build another school house for the Intermediate school, and use the two lower rooms of the present school house for the two primary schools. Even at the present time by having an additional room and another teacher, this department would be greatly benefited and it is entirely probable that by the time another room can be provided, there will be enough of this class of pupils to

make two respectably sized schools. During the first year succeeding the incorporation of the town, 122 scholars attended the schools, and during the year last past, there have been 171 in attendance, showing an increase of 40 per cent. Although accommodations have been furnished from time to time as the number of scholars increased, yet they have become inadequate and more should now be provided.

Whole number in attendance during the year, 59.

Average membership. 40.

Average attendance. 32.14

SOUTH SCHOOL.

The expense of maintaining this school, containing the small number who attend (there being but ten pupils in all, and of these two were non-residents,) was in our judgment a sufficient reason for limiting its sessions to six months. The school has made very commendable progress under Miss Mayhew's tuition, and we regret that we cannot engage her for a longer time, she having resigned her position after a faithful term of service extending over a period of five years.

Total number in attendance during the year. 10.

Average membership. 8.16

Average attendance. 6.75

APPROPRIATIONS.

The outlay on account of schools for the last five years, has been as follows :

1885-86	\$1400.05
1886-87	1524.75
1887-88	1552.78
1888-89	1489.13
1889-90	1496.82*

1896.

Cottage City
TOWN AND SCHOOL
Report.

COTTAGE CITY, MASS.
MARTHA'S VINEYARD HERALD JOB PRINT.
1896.

SIXTEENTH ANNUAL

Financial Report

—OF THE—

Town of Cottage City,

—FOR THE—

Year Ending February 17, 1896.

COTTAGE CITY, MASS.:

PUBLISHED BY AUTHORITY OF THE SELECTMEN,

1896.



Auditor's Certificate.

To the Taxpayers of Cottage City:—

I herewith submit the Sixteenth Annual Report of the finances of the Town of Cottage City. I have carefully examined the books of the Selectmen and Treasurer and hereby certify the same to have been correctly kept, with vouchers for all orders drawn and payments made.

Appended are reports of Town Clerk, Health Officers, Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, Finance Committee, Park Commissioners, Road Commissioners, State Road, New School-house Committee and School Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT A. EDDY, Auditor.

Town Officers.

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

FRED O. LUCE,
WILLIAM H. DAVIS,
THOMAS D. CROWELL.

CLERK.

ELMER E. LANDERS.

TREASURER.

ZENAS D. LINTON.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

ZENAS D. LINTON,

AUDITOR.

HERBERT A. EDDY.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

SAMUEL Q. RICE,
LINWOOD S. PRATT,
JOHN D. KING.

HEALTH OFFICERS.

JOB H. GORHAM,
WILLIAM F. WILLARD,
GEORGE W. MASON.

BOARD OF ENGINEERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT.

WALTER S. HOWLAND,
ALFRED A. BUZZELL,
FRANCIS P. VINCENT,
WILLIAM B. RIPLEY,
FREEMAN R. COTTLE.

ROAD COMMISSIONERS.

HAMILTON J. GREENE,
CHARLES T. LUCE,
FRANK P. BUNKER,

PARK COMMISSIONERS.

CHARLES SNOW,
WILLIAM A. VANDERHOOF,
JOHN W. McGRATH.

Valuation, May 1st, 1895.

Resident personal property,	\$74,950.00
Non-resident personal property,	8,800.00
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Total personal estate,	\$83,750.00
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Resident real estate,	\$532,200.00
Non-resident real estate,	951,750.00
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Total real estate,	\$1,483,950.00
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Total valuation,	\$1,567,700.00
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Total resident valuation,	\$607,150.00
Total non-resident valuation,	960,550.00
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Total valuation,	\$1,567,700.00
Rate of taxation, \$16.50 per \$1,000.00.	
Tax on personal property,	\$1,381.88
Tax on real estate,	24,485.17
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Total property tax,	\$25,867.05
Tax on 277 polls,	\$554.00
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Total tax assessed, May 1, 1895,	\$26,421.05

Town tax assessed,	\$22,818.00
State tax assessed,	840.00
County tax assessed,	\$2,745.11
Overlayings,	17.94

Total tax assessed, May 1, 1895, \$26,421.05

Tax bills delivered to Zenas D. Linton, Collector, July 31, 1895.

The following items of information are taken from the Assessors' books for 1895.

Number of horses,	138
“ cows,	121
“ dwelling houses,	1,075
“ acres of land assessed,	3,423
“ tax payers,	1,458
“ persons paying poll tax only,	97
“ persons paying tax on property,	1,361

Town Property.

The following is a schedule of town property as furnished by the Selectmen.

School buildings and land,	\$14,000.00
Other buildings and furnishings,	3,650.00
One lot on Pequot avenue,	300.00
Vault,	800.00

FIRE APPARATUS.

Hose house and lot, (Highlands,)	750.00
Hose house,	200.00
One steam fire engine,	2,800.00
Two hose carts,	250.00
Two wagons, hose and fixtures,	700.00
Hose and pipes,	2,000.00
Two chemical engines,	800.00
One hook and ladder truck,	100.00
Fire alarm,	1,000.00
Land at cemetery,	800.00
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	\$28,150.00

Exempted Property.

Baptist church and land,	\$2,200.00
Baptist Association, Temple and land,	2,000.00
“ “ office and land.	2,500.00
Baptist Society, parsonage and land,	1,500.00
Catholic church and land,	1,000.00
Episcopal Society, church and land,	4,000.00
Methodist Church, church,	3,000.00
“ “ chapel,	1,500.00
Methodist Society, parsonage and land,	2,000.00
Martha's Vineyard Campmeeting Association,	
Tabernacle, office and land,	26,000.00
Martha's Vineyard Summer Institute, Agassiz	
Hall,	4,000.00
Martha's Vineyard Association, band stand,	1,000.00
Union Chapel Association, chapel and land,	6,000.00
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	\$56,700.00

Appropriations for 1895.

Schools,	\$2,200.00	
School expenses,	500.00	\$2,700.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Engineer, Steamer No. 1,	\$150.00	
Steward, Steamer House and Town Hall,	149.00	
Steward, Hydrant Hose House,	50.00	
Steward, Chemical House, No. 2,	25.00	
Steward, Highland Hose House,	25.00	
Fireman, Steamer No. 1,	15.00	
Firemen,	350.00	
Contingent expenses of fire department,	300.00	
Fuel and lights, fire department,	200.00	
Clerk, board of engineers,	20.00	
Superintendent, fire alarm,	25.00	
Care, fire alarm battery,	75.00	\$1,384.00
Police,		500.00
Lighting streets, including one electric light at the corner of Dempster Park and Wayland Avenue,		2,000.00
Support of poor,		450.00
State Aid,		244.00
Night Watchman,		450.00

Watch in tower nine months,	360.00
Hydrants,	2,040.00
Memorial Day,	25.00
Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor,	100.00
Assessors,	300.00
School Committee,	75.00
Town Clerk,	40.00
Treasurer,	100.00
Auditor,	25.00
Board of Health,	150.00
Sweeping streets,	200.00
Repairs of roads,	500.00
Repairs of concrete,	1,200.00
Bulkheads and bridges,	200.00
Incidentals,	1,000.00
Collection of swill and garbage,	300.00
Park purposes,	700.00
Town debt and interest,	5,000.00
Moderator, 1895,	5.00
Public Library expenses,	100.00
New Hose Wagon,	300.00
New striker for fire alarm,	250.00
Extension of fire alarm,	170.00
Fencing burying ground and laying out lots,	400.00
Laying pipe in Commercial Avenue and placing two Hydrants on the line,	1,300.00
Plank walk on Sea View Avenue,	250.00
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	\$18,734.00

Expenditures.

Salaries of Town Officers.

SELECTMEN AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Fred O. Luce,	services, (Chairman,)	\$50.00
William H. Davis,	“	25.00
Thomas D. Crowell,	“	25.00
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		\$100.00

ASSESSORS.

Fred O. Luce,	services,	\$100.00
William H. Davis,	“	100.00
Thomas D. Crowell,	“	100.00
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		\$300.00

TOWN CLERK.

Elmer E. Landers,	services,	\$40.00
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TREASURER.

Zenas D. Linton,	services,	\$100.00
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SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

William D. Harding, services,	\$ 1.50
Samuel Q. Rice, “	25.00
Linwood S. Pratt, “	25.00
John D. King, “	23.50
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	\$75.00

AUDITOR.

Herbert L. Norton, services,	\$25.00
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COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

Zenas D. Linton, services, 1892,	\$300.00
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BOARD OF HEALTH.

Job H. Gorham, services,	\$50.00
William F. Willard, “	50.00
George W. Mason, “	50.00
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	150.00

MODERATOR.

John D. King,	\$5.00
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Schools.

Clifton A. Snell, salary as superintendent of schools 7 months at \$37.50 per month,	\$262.50
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NOTE—At a special town meeting held June 18, 1895. it was voted to appropriate \$225.00 for salary of superintendent of schools.

Linwood S. Pratt, salary, 3 months, at \$90 per month,		\$270.00
Harry M. Holbrook, salary, 9 weeks, at \$20 per week,	\$180.00	
Two months, at \$85 per month,	170.00	350.00
Matilda Norton, salary, 6 months, at \$40 per month,	\$240.00	
Five weeks, at \$10 per week,	50.00	290.00
Tillie R. Pratt, salary, 7 1-4 months, at \$45 per month,		326.25
Carrie A. Snell, salary, 3 months, at \$35 per month,	\$105.00	
Sixteen and one-half days at \$1.75 per day,	28.88	
Five weeks, at \$8.75 per week,	43.75	
Two months, at \$40 per month,	80.00	257.63
Abbie M. Vedder, salary, 9 weeks, at \$5 per week,	\$45.00	
Two months, at \$25 per month,	50.00	
Three and one-half days, at \$1 per day,	3.50	98.50
Helen Norton, salary, 7 months, at \$20 per month,	\$140.00	
Three weeks, at \$5 per week,	15.00	155.00
Amount paid to teachers,		<u>\$1,747.38</u>
Helen Norton, care South school room,		5.50
C. A. Snell, printing and expenses to Boston,		11.10
David J. Barney, coal and wood,		68.80
H. L. Norton & Co., coal,		18.76
E. M. Smith, wood,		2.00
Mary J. Wesley, rent of annex,		30.00

Daniel Currier, janitor school-house, 12 weeks at \$4 per week,	48.00
Daniel Currier, services as janitor,	171.00
Daniel Currier, extra work,	11.25
Mary J. Wesley, rent of annex,	53.00
H. L. Norton & Co., coal,	105.00
E. M. Smith, wood,	2.25
David J. Barney, coal, etc.,	64.20
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	\$2,338.24

School Expenses.

S. Q. Rice, taking school census,	\$5.00
services as truant officer,	5.00
expense to Boston, horse hire, telegraphing, postage and express,	28.00
bill of George H. Friend Paper and Tablet Co., and freight,	40.64
labor, horse hire, postage and express,	54.57
Charles Strahan, printing and advertising,	25.50
J. L. Hammett, supplies,	61.67
pencils, books and rules,	24.31
public school diplomas and reward cards,	11.75
Fred O. Luce, 20 wands,	1.40
30 pairs dumb-bells,	4.50
turning and sawing,	5.00
L. E. Knott Apparatus Co., supplies,	37.93
E. G. Eldridge, insurance,	16.25
C. F. James, freight and carting,	29.20
Louis Sackett, taking school census,	5.00
J. Q. Bradish & Co., pencils,	6.00
J. L. Mayhew, supplies,	.75
E. A. Leighton, labor at school-house,	26.25
F. A. Marshall, thermometers,	1.25

L. S. Lewis, labor,	\$7.50
F. S. Brightman, books and stationery,	52.98
Allyn & Bacon, supplies,	6.00
Clofus L. Gonyon, cleaning vault,	2.50
Cottage City Gas and Electric Light Co., gas in Union Chapel,	2.80
I. M. Studley, rent and cleaning out-house,	3.00
L. Nichols, supplies,	6.78
American Book Co., supplies,	2.40
R. E. Schuh, Standard Dictionary,	17.00
Latin Lexicon and express,	6.75
Joseph W. Warren, decorating Union Chapel, and clock for Primary school,	1.25
A. Lovell & Co., copy books,	9.29
J. D. King, supplies,	49.25
Tillie R. Pratt, music,	1.05
W. D. Harding, supplies,	7.11
F. S. Brightman, books, ink, etc.,	18.80
L. S. Lewis, services as truant officer, rent of room for truants,	5.00 10.00
William H. Davis, painting, glazing and varnishing,	17.40
D. C. Heath & Co., 1 chart,	1.09
Everett Joy, glazing,	1.30
Maynard, Merril & Co., 1 Shaw's Physics,	.94
I. M. Studley, soap, barrels, etc.	3.73
American Book Co., books,	56.05
A. Lovell & Co., copy books,	2.40
Ginn & Co., books,	57.63
H. H. Rice, lumber,	10.50
Joseph W. Warren, 2 clocks,	1.00
Thompson, Brown & Co., books,	.56
University Publishing Co., books,	5.76

\$757.79

Public Parks.

Park Commissioners, amount of appropriation at annual town meeting,	\$700.00
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Memorial Day.

H. W. Coye, amount of appropriation at annual town meeting,	\$25.00
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Library Association.

PHEBE A. NORTON, Treasurer.

Rent of room,	\$40.00
Librarian,	55.50
Sundry expenses,	4.50
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	\$100.00

Police.

Charles Strahan, rent of room,	\$40.00
Jason L. Dexter, services as Chief of Police from June 22 to Sept. 15, 1895,	258.00
horse hire,	2.25
E. B. Andrus, services as police officer,	64.00
Eli A. Leighton, services as police officer, 21 days at \$2 per day,	42.00
John E. Sandiford, services as police,	2.00
Frank P. Bunker, " "	2.00
S. Q. Rice, " "	2.00
Francis P. Vincent, " "	2.00
Herbert A. Eddy, " "	2.00
Charles Furlong, " "	2.00
Frank P. Bunker, " "	2.00

William A. Dutcher, services as police,	\$2.00
Charles B. Phillips, " "	2.00
E. B. Andrus, " "	2.00
C. L. Ellis, " "	2.00
S. S. Carter, " "	2.00
Eli A. Leighton, " "	2.00
LaRoy S. Lewis, supplies for lock-up,	3.00
L. Nichols, supplies,	3.87
W. C. Adams, supplies,	10.00
Everett Joy, lettering signs,	7.00
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	\$456.12

Fire Department.

FIREMEN.

Steamer Company No. 1, services of 14 men 6 months,	\$35.00
services of 2 men 5 months,	4.20
services of 2 men 4 months,	3.36
services of 2 men 3 months,	2.52
services of 3 men 2 months,	2.52
services of 19 men 6 months,	47.50
services of 1 man 4 months,	1.66
Hydrant Hose Company No. 1, services of 20 men 6 months,	50.00
services of 19 men 6 months,	47.50
services of 1 man 3 months,	1.25
Highland Hose Company No. 2, services of 12 men 6 months,	30.00
services of 11 men 1 month,	4.59
services of 12 men 5 months,	25.00
Hook and Ladder Company No. 1, services of 10 men 12 months,	50.00

Chemical Contest Company No. 2, services of	
10 men 12 months,	\$50.00
services of 2 men 11 months,	9.17
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	\$364.27

ENGINEER STEAMER NO. 1.

Joseph F. Tripp, services 12 months,	\$150.00
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FIREMAN STEAMER NO. 1.

Frank C. Tripp, services 6 months,	\$7.50
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STEWARD STEAMER HOUSE AND TOWN HALL.

Joseph F. Tripp, services 12 months,	\$150.00
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STEWARD HYDRANT HOSE HOUSE.

LaRoy S. Lewis, services 12 months,	\$50.00
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STEWARD HIGHLAND HOSE HOUSE.

S. S. Carter, services 12 months,	\$25.50
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STEWARD CHEMICAL HOUSE NO. 2.

J. L. Mayhew, services 12 months,	\$25.00
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CLERK, BOARD OF ENGINEERS.

Francis P. Vincent, services 12 months,	\$20.00
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SUPERINTENDENT OF FIRE ALARM.

A. A. Buzzell, services,	\$25.00
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CARE OF FIRE ALARM.

Joseph F. Tripp, services 10 months,	\$62.50
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FUEL AND LIGHTS.

Cottage City Gas and Electric Light Company,	
gas at Hydrant House,	\$46.28
gas at Steamer House,	73.94
gas at Chemical House,	.88
David J. Barney, coal and wood,	29.37
H. L. Norton & Co., coal,	6.25
I. M. Studley, chimneys,	.50
David J. Barney, coal and wood,	40.07
David J. Barney, supplies,	5.55
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	\$202.84

CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

Cornelius Callahan Co., lanterns and axe,	\$23.50
Walter S. Howland, expenses to Boston to purchase hose,	10.20
Walter S. Howland, 1 badge and express,	4.90
E. H. Pierce, polish, oil and emery cloth,	3.61
B. P. Nickerson, labor on fire alarm,	24.25
Frank D. Tripp, repairing steamer valve,	2.00
James G. Norton, sponges and chamois skins,	3.00
Eugene Hayden, board of W. H. Lynch, Mr. Linton and Mr. Howland,	5.25
Cornelius Callahan Co., repairing gate and connection,	5.25
D. J. Van Praay, engraving lamp chimneys,	1.50
Arthur C. Francis, repairing Hydrant Hose wagon, etc.,	37.60
F. P. Vincent, 1 roll book,	.75
Charles Strahan, printing,	11.25
C. F. James, freight and carting,	4.01
A. C. Francis, sundries,	2.00
Cottage City Water Company, 3 faucets,	24.00

A. R. Norton, two teams,	\$2.00
John Vincent, watching Clinton avenue fire,	.75
Linton, Worth & Co., pulley and screws,	.24
E. H. Matthews, repairing M. M. Duffy's fence,	1.00
L. Nichols, 1 mattress,	2.50
A. A. Buzzell, lumber, nails and labor,	5.10
George M. Stevens, 1 barrel vitriol,	20.81
battery zines,	30.10
labor and fares,	17.20
Everett Joy, glazing,	3.00
A. A. Buzzell, express, carting and freight,	8.19
building addition on Highland Hose House,	69.00
sink, lead pipe and labor,	5.74
A. R. Norton, use of 4 teams by Chief Engineer,	3.00
Everett Joy, labor and material, Highland Hose	
House,	8.50
David J. Barney, 2 wagon jacks and 1 wrench,	2.45
E. H. Matthews, lumber and labor,	3.68
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	\$346.33

NOTE—At a special town meeting held Oct. 17, 1895, the sum of \$75 was appropriated for an addition to the Highland Hose House.

HYDRANTS.

Cottage City Water Company, for rental of 51 hydrants from Nov. 15, 1894, to Nov. 15, 1895, at \$40 each per year,	\$2,040.00
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NEW HOSE.

Cornelius Callahan Co., 500 feet jacket hose at 65 cents per foot,	\$325.00
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Cornelius Callahan Co., 100 feet of chemical hose,	\$47.50
supplies,	36.35
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	\$408.85

NOTE—At a special town meeting held June 18, 1895, it was voted to appropriate \$408.85 for new hose for the fire department.

NEW STRIKER FOR FIRE ALARM.

George M. Stevens, 1 medium tower striker,	\$225.00
B. P. Nickerson, labor on fire alarm wires,	2.75
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	\$227.75

NEW HOSE WAGON.

Arthur C. Francis, 1 hose wagon and bar,	\$277.00
Babbitt, Wood & Co., corrugated matting,	2.40
W. S. Howland, expenses to New Bedford and Fairhaven,	6.00
A. A. Buzzell, canvass, brass nails and straps,	3.43
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	\$288.83

EXTENSION OF FIRE ALARM.

George M. Stevens, 2 fire alarm boxes, wire,	
etc.,	\$126.26
six keys,	1.00
Arthur C. Francis, hook, plate, banding box,	1.60
B. P. Nickerson, labor,	25.00
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	\$153.86

Repairs of Concrete.

L. E. Crowell, 14 barrels tar at \$3.50 per barrel,	\$49.00
25 barrels tar at \$3.50 per barrel,	87.50
David J. Barney, rope and pine wood,	13.43

J. L. Mayhew, soil pipe and tar bailer,	\$2.45
Otis Foss, wood and oil,	3.10
C. F. James, carting tar,	12.08
carting 189 barrels tar,	15.12
Vineyard Grove Co., 550 loads sand,	27.50
Perrin, Seamans & Co., wheelbarrow, shovels and rakes,	20.40
N. B., M. V. & N. Steamboat Co., freight,	15.08
H. L. Norton & Co., 6 gallons oil,	.90
2 feet of wood,	1.50
S. A. Comey, 1 tar kettle,	8.00
New Bedford Gas and Edison Light Co., tar,	925.23
tar,	640.36
Frank Pachico, labor,	87.25
Joseph Metro, “	.82
Wm. White, “	19.50
Joseph Silvia, “	20.15
Manuel Pachico, Jr., labor,	57.66
Joseph Perry, labor with team,	124.66
Manuel Vincent, “ “	104.50
Manuel Pachico, labor,	114.20
Joseph Pimental, “	28.50
Clement Joseph, “	98.14
Joseph Pachico, “	87.28
Joseph Merrin, “	10.33
John Merry, “	97.86
John B. Chandler, “	15.00
Antone Silvia, “	18.00
Amos Joseph, “	31.20
Jule Swartz, “	28.17
Henry Corria, “	104.01
John Peters, “	26.32
Frank P. Bunker, “	61.83
Joseph Cardozo, “	18.00

Joseph Enos, labor,	\$30.31
Joseph Meara, labor,	49.70
R. A. Bunker, labor with team,	73.50
F. J. Perry, " "	2.00
Linton, Worth & Co., oil, brooms and pail,	2.38
T. D. Crowell, oil, brooms, etc.,	6.49
Charles F. Vincent, carting,	.50
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	\$3,139.96

Concrete on Greenleaf Avenue.

Charles T. Luce, 13 1-2 tons stone,	\$16.75
F. O. Luce, 72 tons stone,	18.00
F. P. Bunker, labor,	4.90
R. A. Bunker, 18 1-2 tons stone,	10.17
J. Mason Mills, 53 tons stone,	29.42
R. A. Bunker, labor with team,	1.75
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	\$80.99

NOTE—At a special town meeting held June 18, 1895, it was voted to appropriate \$175.00 for concrete on Greenleaf avenue.

Repairs on Roads.

Vineyard Grove Co., 106 loads loam,	\$10.60
John H. Crowell, surveying and making plan extension of Massasoit Avenue,	11.97
Surveying and making plan of road through Washington Park,	9.85
Leavitt Mayhew, labor with team,	3.00
Charles Strahan, 500 bill heads,	2.00
E. G. Mills, 128 tons of stone,	121.60
F. W. Chase, carting loam,	28.50

F. W. Chase, grading and sodding,	\$10.00
Job H. Gorham, sand,	1.00
Ralph W. Bunker, labor,	1.50
J. Mason Mills, labor with team,	17.00
Darius D. Norton, labor,	9.00
H. C. Gilks, carting loam,	3.50
C. F. James, labor with team,	3.50
N. P. Hayes, snow shovels,	4.75
Joseph Perry, labor with team,	39.00
Roy Bunker, labor with team.	38.50
F. P. Bunker, labor,	31.11
W. W. Smith, labor,	1.80
Walworth M'fg Co., soil pipe,	37.18
Manuel Francis, labor with team,	13.50
Frank Pachico, labor,	11.99
Antone Silvia, labor,	8.66
J. B. Chandler, labor,	13.55
H. J. Greene, labor of men and freight,	26.57
Manuel Vincent, labor with team,	17.50
Manuel Enos, " "	3.00
Jake Pachico, labor,	4.75
Joseph Pachico, labor,	19.40
Joseph Enos, labor,	16.29
Manuel S. de Bettencourt, loam and labor with team,	42.00
Joseph Silvia, 2d., labor,	6.00
Charles T. Luce, loam and labor with team,	56.90
Manuel Alves, labor,	16.50
Joseph Sylvia, "	18.66
John Merry, "	11.15
Manuel Vincent, labor with team,	32.50
Manuel Pachico, Jr., labor,	11.78
Manuel Pachico, "	26.06
Joseph Pimental, "	10.49

Clement Joseph, labor	11.15
Henry Corea, “	13.00
John Peters, “	11.15
Adrian Silvia, labor with team,	14.65
Antone F. Douart, labor with team,	15.00
Joe Cardozo; labor,	8.33
Joseph S. Corduro, “	4.34
Manuel Sylvia, labor with team,	19.80
H. J. Greene, labor on road, and team,	25.00
Joseph Burgess, labor with team,	12.45
Hiram Daggett, “ “	21.67
M. J. King, labor,	4.50
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	\$913.65

Lighting Streets.

H. N. Pease, oil,	\$64.67
L. S. Lewis, lighting streets,	187.20
L. S. Lewis, labor on lanterns and carting,	9.15
C. F. Vincent, freight and carting lanterns,	1.85
Cottage City Gas and Electric Light Company,	
gas,	596.61
electric lights,	1,242.00
labor and materials moving electric light on	
Eastville avenue,	9.50
Hood, Bichnall & Potter, 12 street lamps,	60.00
W. H. Davis, painting lanterns and posts,	5.60
setting 126 lights of glass in lanterns,	21.42
Everett Joy, setting 12 lights of glass in lanterns,	2.70
Linton, Worth & Co., oil, etc.,	43.15
F. O. Luce, 6 lamp posts,	5.40
T. D. Crowell, matches, chimneys, wicks, oil,	8.64
J. L. Mayhew, supplies,	27.45

Edward Healis, lighting streets,	160.00
painting lamp posts,	17.20
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	\$2,462.54

Sweeping Streets.

Joseph Silvia, sweeping streets 116 days 3 1-2 hours,	\$174.58
Linton, Worth & Co., brooms,	3.50
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	\$178.08

Bulkheads and Bridges.

W. G. Bunker, labor,	\$24.00
H. J. Greene, labor of men,	10.68
H. E. Galley, labor,	9.00
H. H. Rice, lumber and posts,	11.91
Charles F. Vincent, carting,	5.00
Linton, Worth & Co., nails, etc.,	6.63
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	\$67.22

Night Watchman.

L. S. Lewis, services from Feb. 1, 1895, to Feb. 1, 1896,	\$450.00
Charles T. Besse, services watching 6 nights,	12.00
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	\$462.00

Watch in Tower.

John B. Chandler, services 9 months at \$40 per month,	\$360.00
services 22 nights,	29.33
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	\$389.33

Sea View Plank Walk.

G. A. Carpenter, lumber and posts,	\$116.17
W. G. Bunker, labor,	83.24
Walter M. Carter, labor,	4.00
H. H. Rice, lumber and nails,	10.50
M. V., N. B. & N. Steamboat Co., freight,	25.28
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	\$239.19

Water Pipe in Commercial Avenue.

Cottage City Water Company, laying pipe and setting hydrants,	\$1,265.00
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State Aid.

William W. Smith,	\$72.00
David Benson,	24.00
Mary Edson,	44.00
Margaret S. Luther,	48.00
Elizabeth Smith,	48.00
A. J. Dalton,	48.00
Lucy A. Howland,	48.00
James Casey,	40.00
Mary J. Leighton,	20.00
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	\$392.00

Support of Poor.

Ella Bancroft, board of Lizzie Moulton,	\$30.00
T. D. Crowell, supplies for Lizzie Moulton,	3.97
Mrs. Knox, nursing Lizzie Moulton,	4.00
W. O. Dunham, medicine and calls for Lizzie Moulton,	7.25

Mrs. C. E. Becker, care of Lizzie Moulton,	\$5.00
Eliza Williams, board of Lizzie Moulton,	12.00
Nancy M. R. Greene, nursing Margaret D. Harrington.	15.00
William Leach, visits and medicine for Mrs. Harrington,	20.82
Bridgett Tribble, board for Mrs. Harrington,	15.00
David J. Barney, wood and coal,	.75
H. M. Athearn, board of Mary A. Davis,	138.00
Mrs. E. L. Merry, board of Fanny Norton,	182.50
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	\$434.29

Health Expenses.

Adrian Silvia, labor on Lake Anthony,	\$24.55
C. F. James, carting,	13.75
David J. Barney, nails,	2.36
Charles Strahan, printing and advertising,	7.50
H. J. Greene, use of pile driver,	11.25
Glofus L. Gonyon, piles and labor,	48.55
Arthur C. Francis, labor and stock,	14.95
Manuel Sylvia, labor on Lake Anthony,	5.40
John H. Crowell, surveying and making plan of dam,	9.50
Manuel Gracia, labor on Lake Anthony,	3.34
Joseph Sylvia, " " "	7.67
Joseph Sauza, " " "	2.69
Stephen Whitaker, carting and freight,	20.05
Alexander Sylvia, labor on Lake Anthony,	16.17
Manuel Swatz, " " "	3.60
William White, " " "	5.40

H. C. Gilkes, labor with team,	\$10.00
C. A. Joy, labor on Bulkhead on Lake Anthony,	4.30
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	\$211.03

NOTE—At a special town meeting held June 18, 1895, the sum of \$150.00 was appropriated for Health Expenses.

Bills paid from Selectmen's order of \$100.00 from the Swill and Garbage appropriation.

Manuel Kouri, labor on Lake Anthony,	\$6.34
Manuel Silvarado, " " "	7.84
Manuel Sweeny, " " "	7.84
Alexander Silva, " " "	13.40
Manuel Smith, " " "	14.00
William F. Willard, " " "	35.00
C. E. Taylor, 4 loads sea weed,	2.00
S. Q. Rice, rakes and forks,	6.62
Linton, Worth & Co., nails,	2.80
C. L. Gonyon, piles,	4.00
Postal cards,	.16
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	\$100.00

Amount received from T. D. Crowell and E. G. Beetle from collection cesspools and vaults for the years of 1893-4,	\$118.97
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Bills paid from the same as follows:

Charles Strahan, advertising,	\$25.00
Eugene Hayden, iron plates,	1.50
Charles H. Chase, painting sign,	2.00

George W. Mason, expenses to Boston and labor on Lake Anthony,	\$12.70
Job H. Gorham, labor on Lake Anthony,	5.75
William F. Willard, expenses to Boston, Vine- yard Haven and stationery,	6.75
William F. Willard, stamps and express,	.55
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	\$54.25
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Balance on hand,	\$64.72
Uncollected bills for work done by Board of Health in the years 1893-4,	\$67.55

Collection of Swill and Garbage.

Manuel Silvado for collecting swill and garbage from June 15 to September 17, 1895,	\$175.00
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Cemetery.

Walworth M'fg Co., galvanized pipe and labor,	\$219.50
John H. Crowell, surveying and making plan,	48.73
M. V., N. B. and N. Steamboat Co., freight,	
Job H. Gorham, labor,	48.00
H. H. Norton, stone posts,	43.00
Geo. P. Briggs, stone,	11.50
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	\$376.56

Incidentals.

Charles Strahan, 400 town and school reports,	\$88.00
tax notices, envelopes and note heads,	4.50
tax books, postals, etc.,	16.50
printing and advertising,	40.75

Thomas D. Crowell, expense to Boston on account of state road,	\$11.20
services, registrars of voters,	5.00
“ election day,	2.50
“ militia roll and dog census,	2.50
expense to Boston,	8.70
expense to Boston,	11.20
express and supplies,	1.87
L. C. Wimpenny, making abstract for assessors,	15.00
S. S. Carter, labor on seats in Town Hall,	2.75
Fred O. Luce, expenses to New Bedford,	3.50
services as registrars of voters,	5.00
“ election day,	2.50
“ militia roll and dog census,	2.50
William H. Davis, services as registrars of voters,	5.00
services, election day,	2.50
“ militia roll and dog census,	2.50
perambulating town lines,	10.00
James A. Pratt, use of teams, perambulating town lines,	3.00
W. A. Dutcher, services as election officer,	2.50
E. G. Eldridge, expenses account of water mains, administering oaths,	7.70
	4.25
Knowlton & Perry, town counsel,	25.00
services in suit of Cromwell vs. Town of Cottage City,	20.00
E. J. Cottle, 1 set of scales and setting same at State road,	96.00
Walter M. Carter, labor on school room,	2.42
Thomas A. Dexter, services on school-house and other fires,	35.00
services in working up fire cases under direction of Selectmen,	129.50
fees and expenses in criminals cases,	19.25

Charles L. Scranton, 1,000 envelopes,	\$16.60
Cottage City Gas and Electric Light Co., gas at Selectmen's office and town hall,	14.48
E. G. Andrus, remittance on tax 1895,	15.62
C. L. Gonyon, labor on Sunset Lake,	10.50
Z. D. Linton, advertising, posting notices and making deeds for tax sales,	20.75
Z. D. Linton, postals, stamps and stationery,	39.62
John B. Chandler, labor on water front,	19.80
David J. Barney wood and coal,	4.76
weighing stone,	2.30
C. G. M. Dunham services in criminal cases,	25.00
H. A. Eddy, services as teller,	2.50
Jason L. Dexter, services working up fire cases and use of team,	182.50
Herbert L. Norton, services as teller,	2.50
A. R. Norton, team for Selectmen,	1.00
team for Assessors and state aid agent,	5.50
George P. Briggs, labor and cement,	3.75
W. S. Howland, postage stamps on account of taxes,	12.75
Frank D. Tripp, two lanterns,	2.40
care of Soldiers' fountain,	6.00
J. L. Mayhew, supplies and labor,	15.63
H. T. Luce, labor, Town Hall,	2.75
J. H. Munroe, County Treasurer, on account of Lagoon Bridge,	79.50
John Peters, labor Hydrant Hose House,	1.00
Estate of Charles Bates, rent of land for pound, two years,	10.00
Walter H. Renear, teams for Selectmen,	8.00
E. E. Landers, attending meeting of Town Clerks and team,	4.50
services at state election,	2.50

E. E. Landers, express postage and stationery,	\$5.10
clerk of board of registrars,	10.00
recording births, marriages and deaths,	20.25
Robert D. Robinson, glazing,	2.00
E. G. Beetle, expenses on account of State road,	11.20
inspecting animals and provisions,	16.00
setting bound between Cottage City and Edgartown,	1.00
Hiram Daggett, setting bound near Lagoon bridge	2.00
Charles F. Vincent, carting wood,	.75
S. S. Paine & Bros., pipe,	23.57
Eugene Hayden, 13 meals for firemen after Highland House fire,	6.00
Everett Joy, glazing,	.90
Job H. Gorham, returns of deaths,	5.50
L. S. Lewis, posting town warrants,	9.00
services election day,	2.50
labor on wood for Selectmen's office,	1.00
services in criminal cases,	10.00
F. P. Vincent, services as ballot clerk,	2.50
making copy of valuation book,	30.00
Greenough, Adams & Cushing, books,	15.50
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	\$1,276.57

School Building.

Bills paid by Selectmen as Settlement Committee :

Charles W. Norton, balance for lathing,	\$47.50
W. A. Vanderhoof, Agent. freight on hardware,	2.34
E. G. Eldridge, insurance,	79.00
Charles E. Taylor, carting,	7.25
New England Piano Co., two organs,	150.00
A. C. Francis, iron work,	10.00
J. L. Mayhew, supplies and labor,	42.50
E. H. Matthews, zinc, lead and brick,	74.56

H. H. Rice, lumber, brick, cement and lime,	\$49.40
Daniel Currier, cleaning,	34.64
H. S. Currier, cleaning,	24.17
C. F. James, carting, and balance on cellar,	158.64
E. A. Leighton, services and expenses to New Britain for hardware, and extra labor,	297.66
Edward Doran, grading,	35.00
Walter Pierce, labor and material,	31.38
N. P. Hayes, nails and sand paper,	.90
Hartford Woven Wire Mattress Co., 20 guards,	38.25
J. H. Crowell, measuring plastering,	11.50
F. O. Luce, turning, planing, carting, thresholds,	7.99
E. A. Leighton, balance of contract,	600.00
B. F. Smith, on account,	500.00
Pierce & Baird, balance of contract,	35.50
J. D. Baird, extra labor,	6.67
E. A. Leighton, damages,	241.50
D. J. Barney, hardware,	5.11
A. C. Francis, door straps,	1.90
C. F. Vincent, carting nails,	.25
Z. D. Linton, hardware,	4.82
Charles Strahan, printing and advertising,	3.00
C. T. Luce, 36 loads sand,	36.00
H. J. Greene, supervision, teams and expense,	103.96
L. Nichols & Co., furnishings,	338.15
Walter Pierce, labor and material,	8.75
Green & Wood, hard pine,	368.56
Benjamin F. Smith, balance,	383.72
P. & F. Corbin, hardware.	253.18
W. H. Davis, balance of contract,	90.00
W. H. Davis, extra labor,	31.00
C. L. Gonyon, lumber,	7.70

\$4,122.45

Amount of Orders Drawn

BY THE SELECTMEN, 1895-6.

Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor,	\$100.00
Assessors,	300.00
Town Clerk,	40.00
Treasurer,	100.00
School Committee,	75.00
Auditor,	25.00
Collector of Taxes, 1892,	300.00
Board of Health,	150.00
Moderator, 1895,	5.00
Schools,	2,338.24
School expenses,	771.69
Public parks,	700.00
Superintendent of Schools,	262 50
Memorial Day,	25.00
Public Library expenses,	100.00
Police,	456.12
Firemen,	364.27
Engineer, Steamer No. 1,	150.00
Fireman, Steamer No. 1,	7.50
Steward, Steamer House and Town Hall,	150.00
Steward, Hydrant Hose House,	50.00
Steward, Chemical House, No. 2,	25.00
Steward, Highland Hose House,	25.00
Clerk, board of engineers,	20.00

Superintendent of fire alarm,	\$25.00
Care of fire alarm,	62.50
Fuel and lights, fire department,	203.84
Contingent expenses of fire department, including addition to Highland Hose House,	346.33
Hydrants,	2,040.00
New hose,	408.85
New striker for fire alarm,	227.75
New Hose Wagon,	288.83
Extension of fire alarm,	153.86
Repairs of concrete,	3,149.02
Concrete, Greenleaf avenue,	80.99
Night Watchman,	462.00
Watch in tower nine months,	389.33
State Aid,	392.00
Support of poor,	434.29
Sweeping streets,	178.08
Lighting streets,	2,462.54
Bulkheads and bridges,	67.22
Health Expenses,	211.03
Repairs of roads,	913.65
Incidentals,	1,276.57
Plank walk on Sea View Avenue,	239.19
Water pipe, Commercial Avenue,	1,265.00
Collection of swill and garbage,	275.00
Cemetery,	376.56
School Building,	4,122.45
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	\$26,592.20

Orders paid, (see Treasurer's account)	\$25,310.16
Orders unpaid,	1,282.04
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	\$26,592.20

RECAPITULATION.

Unexpended.	Appropriations.	Departments.	Expenditures.	Overdrawn.
	\$100 00	Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor,.....	\$100 00	
	300 00	Assessors,.....	300 00	
	40 00	Town Clerk,.....	40 00	
	100 00	Treasurer,.....	100 00	
	25 00	Auditor,.....	25 00	
	75 00	School Committee,.....	75 00	
	150 00	Board of Health,.....	150 00	
		Collector of Taxes, 1892,.....	300 00	\$300 00
	5 00	Moderator,.....	5 00	
	2 416 15	Schools, including School Fund and Dog Tax,.....	2 338 24	
\$77 91	500 00	School Expenses,.....	771 69	271 69
	225 00	Superintendent of Schools,.....	262 50	37 50
	700 00	Park Purposes,.....	700 00	
	25 00	Memorial Day,.....	25 00	
	100 00	Library Association,.....	100 00	
	350 00	Firemen,.....	456 12	
43 88	150 00	Engineer, Steamer No. 1,.....	364 27	14 27
	15 00	Fireman, Steamer No 1,.....	150 00	
7 50	149 00	Steward Steamer House and Town Hall,.....	7 50	1 00
	50 00	Steward Hydrant Hose House,.....	150 00	
	25 00	Steward Highland Hose House,.....	50 00	
	25 00	Steward Chemical House No. 2,.....	25 00	
	20 00	Clerk, Board of Engineers,.....	20 00	
	25 00	Superintendent of Fire Alarm,.....	25 00	
12 50	75 00	Care of Fire Alarm Battery,.....	62 50	
	200 00	Fuel and Lights, Fire Department,.....	203 84	3 84

\$28 67	\$375 00	Contingent Expenses, Fire Department, including addition to Highland Hose House.....	\$346 33
	408 85	New Hose,.....	408 85
11 17	300 00	New Hose Wagon,.....	288 83
22 25	250 00	New Striker for Fire Alarm,.....	227 75
16 14	170 00	Extension of Fire Alarm,.....	153 86
	2 040 00	Hydrants,.....	2 040 00
	1 200 00	Repairs of Concrete,.....	3 149 02
	500 00	Repairs of Roads,.....	913 65
132 78	200 00	Bulkheads and Bridges,.....	67 22
21 92	200 00	Sweeping Streets,.....	178 08
	2 000 00	Lighting Streets,.....	2 462 54
15 71	450 00	Support of Poor,.....	434 29
	244 00	State Aid,.....	392 00
	450 00	Night Watchman,.....	462 00
	360 00	Watch in Tower,.....	389 33
25 00	300 00	Collection of Swill and Garbage,.....	275 00
	150 00	Health Expenses,.....	211 03
	3 000 00	School Building,.....	4 122 45
	400 00	Cemetery,.....	376 56
	1 300 00	Laying Pipe in Commercial Avenue,.....	1 265 00
	250 00	Plank Walk, Sea View Avenue,.....	239 19
	175 00	Concrete on Greenleaf Avenue,.....	80 99
	1 000 00	Incidentals,.....	1 276 57
4 524 20	4 524 20	Balance,.....	
\$5 102 89	\$26 592 20		\$26 592 20
			\$5 102 89

School Building.

Statement of Expenditures for School-house, as per bills rendered by H. J. Greene, October 28, 1895.

M. F. Cummings, drawings and specifications,	\$192.00
Forbush & Hathaway, “ “	325.00
Stearnes Lumber Co., lumber, laths, brick, survey, insurance, pole, freight,	1,039.57
C. Woodman & Co., shingles, freight,	393.75
Schooner C. I. White. Capt. W. H. Faulkingham, pole, shingles, laths, brick, lumber, freight,	289.18
Greene & Wood, lumber,	299.16
Benj. F. Smith, window frames, door frames and outside finish, mouldings, contract, freight,	989.07
F. O. Luce, posts, lumber, sawing and planing, carting, grounds, furring,	84.28
O. H. Tilton, lumber,	48.18
H. H. Rice, lumber, posts, nails, cement, brick,	276.18
Haskell & Tripp, cotton,	9.66
A. J. Burgess, 5 foundation stones,	5.00
H. L. Norton & Co., cement, lime, brick,	175.40
Chas. S. Paisler, cement, hair, cartage,	27.64
Wm. Buckley, lime,	80.30
Capt. Arey, lime,	77.00

Chas. S. Paisler, hunstitti red, carting,	\$9.25
Baldwin & Emerson, 2 stone steps,	28.00
Waldo Bros., mortar,	3.00
E. G. Beetle, 48 loads sand,	48.00
King's Windsor Cement Co., cement,	72.00
N. P. Hayes, sheet lead, 2 lead reels, hardware,	20.77
Walworth Manufacturing Co., iron columns, machine labor, cartage,	40.83
F. D. Tripp, galvanized iron ventilating duct,	20.00
Linton, Worth & Co., paper, screws, sand paper brads,	48.73
Mt. Hope Iron Works, 58 kegs assorted nails,	101.70
Stephen Whittaker, flag staff, truck and ball,	5.50
F. H. Deane, slating,	47.18
P. Derby & Co., office chairs,	7.50
Orpin Bros., desks, matting, etc.,	35.50
Manitowoc Seating Co., desks and seats, freight,	438.66
E. A. Leighton, on account contract,	1,700.00
Andrew Warren, laying brick, extra shoveling,	674.00
Peirce & Baird, plastering,	372.50
F. D. Tripp, heating and ventilating,	850.00
C. W. Norton, lathing,	75.00
G. N. Bosworth, labor 3-4 day with screws,	3.00
Geo. A. Smith, carting from Vineyard Haven,	3.00
J. A. Pratt, use of team,	3.00
J. H. Crowell, surveying,	13.63
Norris Wharf, wharfage lumber, brick, shingles, laths, pole,	21.83
Z. D. Linton, interest on \$3,000 12 days,	5.00
W. H. Davis, painting,	200.00
R. D. Robinson, paint and labor,	3.44
Everett Joy, paint and labor,	14.76
E. G. Eldridge, insurance,	54.00

H. J. Greene, discharging lumber, cleaning cellar, freight, cleaning rooms, telegram, pipe, carting nails, express, lumber,	105.73
W. S. Peirce, labor,	29.34
Maine S. S. Co., freight on cement,	9.90
N. B., M. V. & N. Steamboat Co., freight on desks,	106.16
C. F. James, cellar, carting lumber, brick and nails, desks, chairs and books, freight bills,	450.94
W. D. Harding, expense to Boston on furnishings,	18.50
S. Q. Rice, services and expenses to Bangor and to New Bedford,	32.75
C. L. Gonyon, expenses to Maine and to Boston,	39.00
J. D. King, expenses to Taunton, Winthrop, and Boston, and postage and express,	14.00
H. J. Greene, expenses to Boston, freight, express, postage, and labor of men,	64.68
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	\$9,944.90

NOTE—There is a balance of \$134.00 due F. D. Tripp on March 20, 1896, on contract for heating and ventilating upon approval of the work by committee.

State Highway.

Balance on hand per last report,	\$1.61
Received from State Treasurer,	6,993.03
Received from Town Treasurer,	3,000.00

\$9,994.64

Payments made,	9,494.22
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Balance on hand,	\$500.42
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Paid Mass. Broken Stone Co., crushing and rolling,	\$2,314.40
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Paid Town of Tisbury, rolling,	96.29
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Paid on account of fence :

E. G. Mills, labor,	70.28
H. H. Rice, material,	356.00
R. D. Robinson, painting,	78.32
A. A. Buzzell, labor,	86.36
N. P. Hayes,	9.75

Paid on account of stone :

E. G. Mills,	871.90
Manuel Vincent,	215.00
J. C. Hamblin,	597.87
E. M. Smith,	152.06

G. A. Smith,	\$225.14
C. F. James,	220.87
Antone Duarte,	215.65
C. B. Norton,	100.00
B. F. Norton,	200.00
William A. Norton,	93.42
C. T. Luce,	80.40
John Vincent,	59.20
R. A. Bunker,	11.30
W. B. Maury,	11.00
Josiah Maybaw,	12.00
W. J. Smith,	11.55
A. Messinger,	33.43
H. C. Gilkes,	6.80
F. W. Chase,	41.64
Hiram Daggett,	11.30
E. G. Beetle,	50.00
D. D. Norton,	80.48
Joseph Baptiste,	31.00
H. Chaney Norton,	43.61
Harry Norton,	22.28
Manuel Sylvia,	10.00
George Hillman,	63.41
T. C. Cottle,	22.80
M. R. Silvia,	28.22
Manuel Enos,	56.44
W. J. Look,	11.25
Joseph Bernardo,	30.74
B. N. Luce,	44.93
John Martin,	13.63
J. L. Luce,	12.71
B. B. Manchester,	67.08
Samuel Look,	33.96
Melatiah Mayhew,	31.60

Paid on account of labor :

E. G. Mills,	\$85.33
Manuel Brown,	37.91
Estate of Manuel Francis,	188.11
Manuel Fiada,	9.00
Manuel Joaquin,	2.81
C. T. Besse,	23.83
M. F. Silvia,	11.70
J. A. Pratt,	22.17
N. D. Webb,	26.68
F. J. Perry,	19.33
Joseph Davis,	5.30
D. D. Look,	60.00
Herbert Currier,	27.80
Manuel Vincent,	46.44
M. de Bettincourt,	16.66
F. T. Goodwin,	67.84
W. C. Church,	40.76
E. Doran,	23.54
H. Coreia,	30.40
Daniel Bradley,	91.60
J. Bernard & Son,	246.57
Joseph Rose,	70.96
George Leaman,	101.23
M. R. Smith,	102.73
John Silvia,	5.06
J. Mamis,	.64
H. E. Galley,	3.24
S. M. Rowe,	3.58
James Casey,	18.33
M. Pachico,	24.71
A. Messinger,	46.67
Louis Alley,	17.08
Manuel Silvia,	28.66

J. T. Healis,	47.32
E. T. Healis,	38.64
Antone Silvia,	22.75
Joseph Perry,	13.25
A. D. Silvia,	36.75
J. Peters,	24.33
M. Swartz,	26.65
J. Reed,	22.75
F. Pachico,	6.75
M. Rose,	57.45
D. Alley,	45.25
J. Costa,	5.84
F. R. Cottle,	1.50
M. Serpa,	21.25
C. F. James,	41.98
J. M. Mills,	368.04
M. Pixole,	40.07
Adrian Silvia,	74.43
M. Maderios,	34.58
M. Machado,	6.65
Amos Joseph,	6.00
Roy Bunker,	11.57
J. W. Vincent,	10.33
F. W. Chase,	63.00
M. Cardoza,	13.82
Clement Joseph,	9.16
L. Bartlett,	34.16
H. C. Gilkes,	6.00
M. Souza,	4.50
J. Amarel,	3.00
J. Maderios,	46.07

J. Pimental,	29.14
E. G. Beetle,	68.50
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	\$9,494.22

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS D. CROWELL, for Selectmen.

I have examined the above account and find the same correct.

HERBERT A. EDDY, Auditor.

Tax Collections.

SETTLEMENT WITH ZENAS D. LINTON, COLLECTOR OF TAXES, 1892.

Balance uncollected, Feb. 18, 1895,	\$1,818.95
Interest collected,	265.73
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	\$2,084.68
Amount collected during the year,	\$1,604.68
Property held by the town subject to redemption,	72.40
Exemptions ordered,	79.20
Sale of property for taxes,	26.00
Abatements allowed,	302.40
	\$2,084.68

COLLECTIONS FOR 1893.

Uncollected, Feb. 18, 1895,	\$3,013.44
Paid in during the year :	
March,	\$123.74
April,	96.16
May,	46.81
June,	328.43
July,	12.38
August,	87.75

September,	46.90	
October,	80.20	
November,	177.65	
December,	94.46	
January, 1896,	64.35	
February, “	172.63	1,331.46

Uncollected,		\$1,681.98
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COLLECTIONS FOR 1894.

W. S. Howland, Collector.

Uncollected, Feb. 18, 1895,	\$7,156.20
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Paid in during the year :

March,	\$138.09	
April,	138.24	
May,	108.23	
June,	511.68	
July,	920.26	
August,	1,386.62	
October,	245.49	\$3,448.61

Zenas D. Linton, Collector.

October,	458.10	
November,	323.58	
December,	268.62	
January, 1896,	41.04	
February, “	58.42	1,149.76
		4,598.37

Uncollected,		\$2,557.83
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COLLECTIONS FOR 1895.

Zenas D. Linton, Collector.

Commitment, July 31, 1895,	\$26,421.05
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Paid in during the year :

July,	\$97.70	
August,	5,307.74	
September,	4,886.03	
October,	4,341.05	
November,	2,311.20	
December,	1,218.42	
January, 1896,	660.87	
February, “	309.84	19,132.85
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Uncollected,		\$7,288.20

List of Jurors.

List of names selected by the Selectmen, to be placed in the Jurors' box, from which to draw Grand and Traverse Jurors, to be presented to the Town for acceptance at the annual meeting, March 9th, 1896 :

Fred F. Ames,	Everett Joy,
Edward B. Andrus;	John D. King,
Edmund G. Beetle,	John E. Look,
Charles T. Besse,	Charles T. Luce,
George A. Burgess,	George W. Mason,
Frank W. Chase,	Ezekiel H. Matthews,
John W. Chandler,	John W. McGrath,
Coleman A. Church,	Allen R. Norton,
John W. Carslake,	Shubael H. Norton,
William E. Doane,	Horatio N. Pease,
Otis Foss,	Frank J. Perry,
Job H. Gorham,	Henry H. Rice,
William J. Gough,	Arthur C. Smith,
Hamilton J. Greene,	J. Weston Swift,
William D. Harding,	I. Maynard Studley,
Eugene Hayden,	Andrew Warren,
Samuel P. Huxford,	William F. Willard.

FRED O. LUCE,	} Selectmen of Cottage City.
WILLIAM H. DAVIS.	
THOMAS D. CROWELL,	

Cottage City, Feb. 27, 1896.

Treasurer's Report.

ZENAS D. LINTON, TREASURER,

IN ACCOUNT WITH TOWN OF COTTAGE CITY.

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Cash on hand,	\$798.12
Temporary loan, N. B. I. for Savings,	\$3,000.00
“ “ “ “	3,000.00
“ “ M. V. National Bank,	3,000.00
“ “ N. B. I. for Savings, (State road)	3,000.00
“ “ “ “ (School-house)	3,000.00
Collection of taxes, 1892,	1,604.68
“ “ 1893,	1,331.46
“ “ 1894,	4,598.37
“ “ 1895,	19,132.85
Corporation and bank tax,	112.82
Support of State paupers,	18.00
Income, school fund,	100.00
Cash from Trial Justice, court fees,	45.75
“ from County Treasurer for dog tax,	116.15
“ from State Treasurer, State aid,	240.00
Licenses, pool and billiards,	14.00
“ for auctioneers,	6.00
Carriage and baggage licenses,	42.00
Peddler's license,	3.00
License for show,	5.00

Cash from Road Commissioners, (concrete)	53.14
“ from Water Company, (concrete)	11.00
Sale of material from school building,	35.75
C. L. Gonyon, for street lamp,	10.00
T. J. Ellinwood, for concrete,	168.81
E. R. Chapman, for concrete,	81.75
Cash from Highway Commission,	6,993.03
Interest from I. Norton bequest,	12.00
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	\$50,533.68

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Principal of note,	\$3,000.00
Interest on above,	20.85
Principal of note,	1,000.00
Interest on above,	20.00
Principal of note,	1,000.00
“ “ “	3,000.00
Interest on above,	65.00
Interest on 7 notes, \$9,000,	180.00
Interest on 2 notes, \$2,500,	201.39
Interest on 4 notes, \$3,000,	334.17
Interest on notes, \$10,000,	400.00
Interest on notes, \$2,000,	110.00
Interest on notes, \$2,000,	111.86
Interest on 7 notes, \$9,600,	248.00
Paid Selectmen, account of State road,	9,993.03
County Treasurer, account of Lagoon bridge,	18.59
State tax,	840.00
County tax,	2,745.12
Outstanding orders,	633.42
Orders paid during the year,	25,310.16
Balance in treasury,	1,302.09
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	\$50,533.68

Liabilities and Assets.

LIABILITIES.

Loan from State,	\$8,000.00
Loan from Malden Savings Bank, (School-house)	10,000.00
Loan from N. B. I. for Savings, (School-house)	3,000.00
“ “ “ (Park loan)	2,500.00
“ “ “ (Highway)	3,000.00
Temporary loan, N. B. I. for Savings,	3,000.00
Loan from E. G. Beetle,	3,000.00
“ “ W. H. Davis,	2,000.00
“ “ C. T. Luce,	1,600.00
“ “ M. V. National Bank,	5,500.00
“ “ Estate of George Fifield,	2,000.00
Outstanding orders,	1,282.04
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	\$44,882.04

ASSETS.

Uncollected taxes,	\$11,528.01
Deeds of land sold for taxes,	300.00
Cash in treasury,	1,302.09
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	\$13,130.10

The Ichabod Norton bequest now amounts to \$865.59. There is deposited in the New Bedford Institution for Savings, \$284.16 ; and invested at 6 per cent. interest, \$200.00. The balance of \$381.33 is in the treasury.

Balance of School-house loan in hands of treasurer, Feb. 18, 1895,	\$6,660.37
Paid Building Committee,	6,605.26
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	\$55.11

Town Clerk's Report.

Report of Births, Marriages and Deaths.

BIRTHS, 1895.

DATE.	NAME OF CHILD.	SEX.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
May 23, '94	Lucy A. Pearse,	F	Alden and Jessie J.
January 1	Fanny Pacheco,	F	Manuel and Mary
" 9	Philomina Fradia,	F	Manuel and Mary
" 12	Lena May Watson,	F	Jonathan and Anna F.
" 30	Jose Douart,	M	Joseph S. and Mary
February 10	Rosa Manese,	F	James and Mary
" 17	Annie Thomas,	F	Manuel and Marie F.
" 24	Russell A. Norton,	M	Allen R. and Lizzie
" 28	Milton L. Look,	M	Thomas F. and Nellie A.
March 24	Antone Nunes,	M	Manuel and Marianna
April 8	Clara Baptiste,	F	Joseph and Isabelle
" 16	Frank Douart,	M	Antone and Philomina
May 10	Marjorie May Ripley,	F	William B. and Adalyn A.
" 11	Jose Silvia,	M	Jose and Marianna
" 17	Henrietta Costodio,	F	John M. and Henrietta
June 15	Frank Rose,	M	Joseph and Mary
July 7	Malcolm Shepard,	M	Joseph V. and Eleanor G.
August 10	Marie Silvia,	F	Albert and Barbara
September 10	Julia Silvia,	F	Manuel and Marie
October 1	Jennie Cordoza,	F	Manuel G. and Jennie
" 20	Alfred Pernado.	M	Jose and Marie
" 27	Hazel Esther Nickerson,	F	Benjamin P. and Margaret B.
" 28	Antone Joseph,	M	Clement and Emily
November 16	Manuel Pacheco,	M	Manuel and Marie R.
" 17	Manuel Scaramba,	M	Manuel and Rosa
" 25	Jose Pacheco,	M	Manuel and Louisa
December 7	Frank P. Medeiros,	M	Domingo and Lena
" 19	— de Bettincourt,	M	Manuel S. and Hannah L.

MARRIAGES.

DATE.	NAMES OF PARTIES.	AGE.	RESIDENCE.	WHERE BORN.
April	24 Manuel J. de Bettincort,	22	Cottage City,	Western Islands.
	Maria Perry,	18	" "	New Bedford.
April	25 Alexander Silvia,	25	" "	Western Islands.
	Amelia Nunes,	23	" "	" "
April	28 Frederick F. Ames,	31	" "	Tisbury.
	Amelia F. Luce,	27	Tisbury,	Edgartown.
June	15 Manuel E. Martin,	26	Cottage City,	Western Islands.
	Mary Swartz,	18	" "	" "
June	26 Antone S. Andrews,	24	Tisbury,	Fayal, W. I.
	Mary Silvia,	17	Cottage City,	Western Islands.
August	21 Warren B. Haskell,	23	" "	Lowell.
	Jeannette A. Grant,	23	Bucksport, Me.,	Bucksport, Me.
August	24 Willis B. Robbins,	42	Worcester,	Thompson, Ct.
	Julia Putnam,	20	Sutton.	Sutton
September	2 John Higgins,	33	Edgartown,	Edgartown.
	Annie McAfee,	38	Cottage City,	Ireland.
September	3 W. Lenoir Hood	40	Putnam, Ct.	Rushville, Ind.
	Florence H. Norton,	23	Cottage City,	Edgartown.
October	16 Franklin D. Tripp,	55	" "	New Bedford
	Emma E. Mackey,	42	" "	New York State.
October	16 Herbert Lincoln Norton,	29	" "	Edgartown.
	Kate J. Vedder,	19	" "	Westboro.
October	17 Joseph Medeiros,	22	" "	Western Islands.
	Manie Silva,	20	" "	" "
December	11 Joseph Besse,	59	" "	Fall River
	Sarah J. Hartley,	53	" "	Centreville, R. I.

DEATHS.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.			CAUSE OF DEATH.
		Y.	M.	D.	
February	18 Rosa Manese,			8	Croup.
March	11 *Joseph S. Nicholson,	3	8	21	Cerebral Meningitis.
"	21 Mary A. King,	19	2		Meningitis, Chronic.
"	26 Angeline Norton,	85	4	19	Apoplexy.
April	21 Caroline K. Dutcher,	44	4	23	Valvular Disease of the Heart.
"	25 Grace A. Pratt,	19	10	14	Suicide
May	28 Charlotte B. Berry,	65	11	21	Heart Disease.
June	11 Elmer N. Dow,	12	8		Endocarditis.
July	7 Frankie King,	13	8		Paralysis.
"	17 *Helen V. Mahoney,		3	14	Enterocolitis.
"	23 *William Bradley,	70		6	Heart Disease.
"	25 *William B. Read,	85	6	16	Senility and Heart Disease.
"	27 *Lucy E. Burlier,	64			Paralysis.
August	6 Manuel Francis,	7	5	20	Heart Failure.
"	21 *Edith Blackburn,	1	10	17	Cholera Infantum.
September	6 *Charles A. Wainer,	2	7	11	" "
"	15 Thomas Smith,	84	2	2	Cardiac Dilatation and Hypertrophy
"	24 — Pachico,				Strangulation at Birth.
"	24 Philomina Fradia,		8	15	Tuberculosis.
"	30 Mary Smith,	35	11		Chronic Inflammation of Stomach.
October	5 Eliza J. Healis,	34	2	15	Consumption.
"	29 Fernando F. Lewis,	34	11		Phthisis.
November	4 Levi W. Damon,	85	7		Paralysis.
December	18 Robena Vincent,	1	1		Bronchitis.

*Non-residents.

SUMMARY.

Following are the statistics of births, marriages, and deaths :

BIRTHS.

Whole number of births, 28. Males, 15. Females, 13.

MARRIAGES.

Whole number of marriages, 13.

DEATHS.

Whole number of deaths, 24. Males, 11 ; Females, 13 ; Residents, 17 ; Non-residents, 7.

Dog Tax Account for the Year 1895.

Whole number of dogs licensed,	69
Males,	60
Females,	9

The amount received for the same, less the fees, has been sent to the County Treasurer, receipts taken, and placed on file.

ELMER E. LANDERS, Town Clerk.

Report of Finance Committee.

The Finance Committee have estimated the amounts required in the several departments for the ensuing year, and recommend that appropriations be made as follows :

Schools,	2,400.00
School expenses,	600.00
Police,	500.00
Lighting streets, referred to Town Meeting.	
Support of poor,	750.00
State Aid,	450.00
Night Watchman,	450.00
Watch in tower nine months,	360.00
Public Library expenses,	100.00
Memorial Day,	50.00
Sweeping streets,	200.00
Repairs of roads,	350.00
Repairs of concrete,	1,250.00
Bulkheads and bridges,	200.00
Incidentals,	1,000.00
Public parks,	500.00
Town Debt and Interest,	5,300.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Firemen,	350.00
Engineer, Steamer No. 1,	150.00

Fireman, Steamer No. 1,	15.00
Steward of Town Hall and all rooms in Steamer House,	100.00
Steward, Hydrant Hose House,	50.00
Steward, Highland Hose House,	25.00
Steward, Chemical House, No. 2,	25.00
Clerk, board of engineers,	20.00
Fuel and lights, fire department,	200.00
Contingent expenses of fire department,	300.00
Superintendent of fire alarm,	25.00
Care of fire alarm battery,	75.00
Hydrants,	2,040.00

SALARIES OF TOWN OFFICERS.

Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor,	\$100.00
Assessors,	300.00
Treasurer,	100.00
School Committee,	75.00
Town Clerk,	40.00
Auditor,	25.00
Care of Sunset Lake,	25.00
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	\$18,510.00

Voted, To refer the matter of Board of Health salary and expenses to the town meeting.

DAVID J. BARNEY, Chairman.

JOHN C. HAMBLIN, Secretary.

Cottage City, Feb. 29, 1896.

Health Report.

To the Citizens of Cottage City:—

Your Board of Health for the year ending March, 1896, respectfully submit the following report :

The Board was duly organized in March, 1895, with Job H. Gorham, chairman, and W. F. Willard, secretary. The same rules and regulations were adopted which were in use the previous year, and they were ordered to be published in the Martha's Vineyard Herald.

As it was impossible to make satisfactory arrangements with the former party who had the contract for the removal of the contents of cesspools and vaults, the Board awarded the contract, and granted all necessary permits for the same, to Clonus L. Gonyon, for two years ; we furnishing one cesspool cart, and he furnishing all other teams and apparatus to do the work in a manner approved by the Board ; he to charge those employing him to do the work at the rate of \$1.25 per load for cesspool contents, and 50 cents per barrel for removing contents of vaults, and to make his own collections for the same. We are very well pleased with the present arrangement, as it obviates the necessity of appointing an agent, and also affords the Board more opportunity to attend to other duties.

Mr. Gonyon, finding that his other business required so much of his personal attention, and not being able to attend

to the duties of the contract as much as he would wish, sold out his interest in the business to C. F. James, who intends giving it all proper attention, and we feel confident that he will give satisfaction.

There was an appropriation at the last annual town meeting of \$300.00 for the collection of swill and garbage, but no appropriation for health purposes. The Board voted to award the contract for the collection of swill and garbage to Manuel Silvarado for the sum of \$175.00, he being the lowest bidder; said swill and garbage to be collected once a day on the Bluffs, and every other day on the Highlands, from June 15th, 1895, to Sept. 17th, 1895.

In consequence of a lack of appropriation by the town for health purposes, the Board had no funds at their command, and so we were obliged to use \$100.00 from the appropriation for the collection of swill and garbage for health purposes. At a special town meeting, called in June, \$150.00 was appropriated, which placed necessary funds at the command of the Board.

As there had been considerable agitation and discussion concerning the unsatisfactory condition of Lake Anthony for some time previous to the annual town meeting, at which place it was again brought under discussion, the Board felt it their duty to bring the lake into as clean and healthful a condition as possible, and at the same time rendering it an ornament to the town. The Board, therefore, consulting with several competent persons as to the most expedient and satisfactory way to obviate this difficulty, decided to close the opening to the lake, thereby changing the water from salt to fresh and thus killing the peculiar growth of grass with which the lake was filled, and by its decay causing a

disagreeable odor, rendering the shore unsightly and making the lake totally unfit for boating.

We closed the lake by the construction of a dam across the opening, by which means the water was changed from salt to fresh. We succeeded by this means in destroying the grass, as evidenced by the large quantities which came ashore during high winds, and the accumulation thus coming ashore was raked up and carted away as soon as possible. The Board are very much pleased with the result of changing the water, and have received many congratulations upon the success of the undertaking. The Board feel safe to say that the lake can be kept free from all growth of grass by changing the water once a year, or once in two years, and would recommend that the lake be closed in summer and opened in winter, as the means of keeping the grass from growing, thereby causing the lake to be in better condition for boating.

The Board is pleased to say that the town has been in a very healthful condition the past year, as can be seen by the following tabular statement :

Infectious diseases reported to the Board from March, 1895, to March, 1896 :

Small Pox,.....	None.
Scarlet Fever, (light form).....	2
Diphtheria,.....	None.
Membranous Croup,.....	None.
Measles,.....	None.
Typhoid Fever,.....	None.

The Board would recommend an appropriation for the collection of swill and garbage of \$250.00, and for health purposes, \$200.00, which we think will be adequate for the expenses during the ensuing year.

All which we respectfully submit.

JOB H. GORHAM, Chairman.
WM. F. WILLARD, Secretary.
GEO. W. MASON.

Report of the Board of Engineers.

The Board respectfully submit the following report of the Fire Department for the year ending March 1st, 1896 :

The force consists of seventy men in the following named companies :

Steamer Company No. 1.

Hydrant Hose Company No. 1.

Highland Hose Company No. 2.

Contest Chemical Company No. 2.

Hook and Ladder Company No. 1.

APPARATUS.

One Button Steam Fire Engine.

Two Hose Reels.

Two Hose Wagons.

Two 80-gallon Chemical Engines.

One Hook and Ladder Truck.

3,000 feet of Hose in good condition.

500 feet of Hose in poor condition.

A Fire Alarm of ten street boxes, fifteen house alarms, two bell alarms, and a complete cell battery to furnish electricity for running the same.

FIRES.

There have been three alarms of fire during the year, two of which proved to be false. On the evening of March 24th, the cottage of Rev. S. S. Cummings, Moss Avenue, was burned; loss \$275.00; supposed incendiary.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

We respectfully recommend the following amounts for use of the department the ensuing year:

Firemen,	\$350.00
Engineer, Steamer No. 1,	150.00
Fireman, Steamer No. 1,	15.00
Janitor of Town Hall and Firemen's rooms in same building,	150.00
Janitor, Hydrant Hose House,	50.00
Janitor, Highland Hose House,	25.00
Janitor, Chemical House, No. 2,	25.00
Clerk, board of engineers,	20.00
Superintendent of fire alarm,	25.00
Care of fire alarm battery,	75.00
Fuel and lights,	200.00
Contingent expenses,	300.00

We would also recommend:

That the Hook and Ladder room be ceiled, plastered, and put in proper condition for use of the Hook and Ladder Company.

The purchase of two Underwriter Fire Extinguishers.

In closing our report, we will add that the noble men who fill the position of firemen of the town are prompt in answering every call, and have always shown themselves capable of managing fires in a manner deemed creditable by veterans in the service. Much praise and encouragement should be their reward.

WALTER S. HOWLAND,	}	Board of Engineers.
ALFRED A. BUZZELL,		
FRANCIS P. VINCENT,		
WILLIAM B. RIPLEY,		
FREEMAN R. COTTLE,		

Park Commissioners' Report.

To the Selectmen and Citizens of the Town of Cottage City:

The Park Commissioners beg leave to submit the following report of their work during the past year :

At the last annual town meeting \$700.00 was appropriated for use in improving the parks, and has been expended as follows :

April 22, 1895,	Charles Furlong,	\$9.00
April 29,	“ Charles Furlong,	9.00
May 6,	“ Charles Furlong,	9.00
“	“ Cottage City Water Co.,	51.10
“	“ J. McGrath & Sons,	26.70
“ 13,	“ Charles Furlong,	9.00
“ 20,	“ “ “	9.00
“ 27,	“ “ “	9.00
June 3,	“ “ “	9.00
“	“ Frank Silva,	9.00
“	“ Joe Madera,	7.00
“	“ J. L. Mayhew	19.00
“	“ J. McGrath & Sons,	35.00
June 6,	“ Manuel Muges,	6.00
June 10,	“ Charles Furlong,	9.00
“	“ A. J. Silvia,	3.00
“	“ John Madera,	3.00

June 10,	"	J. J. Madera,	\$3.00
June 6,	"	Manuel Madera,	3.50
June 17,	"	" "	2.00
"	"	Charles Furlong,	9.00
June 24,	"	" "	9.00
"	"	J. L. Mayhew,	6.00
July 1,	"	C. Furlong,	9.00
"	"	E. H. Matthews,	31.50
July 9,	"	Cottage City Water Co.,	12.00
"	"	Everett Joy,	9.07
July 8,	"	C. Furlong,	9.00
July 15,	"	C. Furlong,	9.00
July 19,	"	Andrew Warren,	3.00
July 22,	"	C. Furlong,	9.00
July 29,	"	"	9.00
Aug. 12,	"	Manuel Enos,	2.50
"	"	Stephen Whittaker, for Lakeside Park,	47.86
Aug. 5,	"	C. Furlong,	9.00
Aug. 12,	"	"	9.00
"	"	F. D. Tripp,	3.00
Aug. 18,	"	A. C. Francis,	.75
Sept. 18,	"	C. Furlong,	45.00
Oct. 22,	"	H. J. Greene, for Lakeside Park,	53.14
Nov. 14,	"	T. A. McGrath,	31.50
Dec. 24,	"	" "	12.25
"	"	F. W. Chase,	45.00
"	"	H. Gilkes,	22.50
"	"	Charles Strahan,	3.50
"	"	C. F. Vincent,	.75
"	"	D. J. Barney,	.40
Nov. 1,	"	J. L. Mayhew,	1.40
"	"	Linton, Worth & Co.,	.41

 \$652.83

Cash on hand,	\$47.17
Balance unexpended, Feb. 16, 1895,	4.75
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	\$704.75

Ocean Park has received close and careful attention, and gives promise of good results from the first outlay in preparing and fertilizing the soil. We would recommend the coming year some additions to the shrubbery on this park. The past year we were obliged to pay the Cottage City Water Co. \$12.00 for water used in the lake.

Hartford Park has been greatly improved by beds of plants, and water pipes and four hydrants have been put in. The changes already made are a delight to the residents in the vicinity, as well as to the general public, and with more money expended will become much more attractive.

Waban Park has received general attention, and the ground work laid for making it the most popular locality for all outdoor amusements.

Lakeside Park has been greatly beautified by the public spirit and labor of Messrs. Whitaker, Ellinwood, Warburton and others. One hundred dollars was appropriated by the Park Commissioners to aid them in making improvements. We would recommend a more liberal appropriation for this Park.

Nashawena, Penacook and Niantic Parks have received attention for the first time the past year, and need money for greater improvements.

The Park Commissioners respectfully ask for an appropriation of \$1,000 for the coming year.

CHARLES SNOW,	}	Park Commissioners.
W. A. VANDERHOOF,		
JOHN W. McGRATH,		

Road Commissioners' Report.

The Road Commissioners submit the following report :

Circuit Avenue has been kept in the best condition it has for a number of years, owing to constant care and supervision. Lake Avenue has also been cared for as far as the appropriation would admit ; also Park Avenue. There has been complaint of parties doing business on the street unpacking goods in the street, greatly to the annoyance of others and the cleanliness of the street. It has been stopped whenever it has been brought to the attention of the Commissioners, and will be looked after in the future.

In the matter of the repairs of concrete, we found the streets in a much more broken condition than it was expected they would be at the time of the annual meeting. School Street and Lagoon Road were in an unsafe condition and called for a large amount expended thereon ; they are now in fair condition, and it will not need any large amount expended the coming year there.

The Commissioners also concreted Greenleaf Avenue, Chestnut, and the continuation of Massasoit Avenue to Circuit, for which there was no appropriation (only for one-half of Greenleaf Avenue.) The balance of this work was charged to the appropriation for repairs of concrete, thereby overdrawing the same. Also walks on Lakeside Park.

There has been expended on this account of the Park \$109.60, of which there has been paid to the Treasurer \$53.46, leaving unpaid from the abutters \$56.14.

On Massasoit Avenue there was expended \$351.00, one-half of the same to be paid by the abutters : of which there has been paid the sum of \$81.75, leaving a balance of \$93.75 still unpaid. From the Water Company the sum of \$11.00 for repairs to the concrete of twenty-two yards.

The Plank Walk on the north side of the Tower should be rebuilt a distance of about 150 feet, which would entail an expense of about \$150.00.

There should be some additional catch basins in several localities, as complaints come to the Commissioners that the water is drained upon private property, to its damage, from the avenues.

The concrete leading to Cluster Village should be extended to the State Highway, or macadamized, thereby making the street in good condition, and to correspond with the street in either direction.

There should be large stones placed outside of the street on the water side of Sea View Avenue to strengthen the bulkhead, as fast as the town can make the appropriation therefor, so in the end to have a substantial protection from the encroachment of the sea in the future.

We also recommend that the continuation of Massasoit Avenue, from Naumkeag to Pequot Avenue, be concreted, as asked for by William H. Hart and others.

In the judgment of the Commissioners, there should be a rail placed on the water side of Atlantic Avenue, as from

the washing away of the bank it is becoming a dangerous place in case of any accident to a carriage or horse. This can be done at a small expense, which may, if neglected, be to a large cost of the town.

H. J. GREENE,	}	Road Commissioners
F. P. BUNKER,		of
C. T. LUCE,		Cottage City.

Annual Town Meeting.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

DUKES COUNTY, ss.

To either of the Constables in the town of Cottage City.

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Cottage City, qualified to vote in town affairs and elections, to assemble at the TOWN HALL, in said Cottage City, on MONDAY, THE NINTH DAY OF MARCH, A. D. 1896, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act upon the following named articles, viz. :

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To hear the reports of Selectmen, Auditor, and other committees.

ART. 3. To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

ART. 4. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to pay town debts, expenses, and appropriations for the ensuing year, and to make appropriations of the same.

ART. 5. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer,

with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire such sums of money as may be necessary, in anticipation of taxes for the year 1896, and payable therefrom.

ART. 6. To see if the town will approve the list of persons to serve as jurors, as made out by the Selectmen.

ART. 7. To see what action the town will take relative to night watch.

ART. 8. To see if the town will fix a time for the payment of all taxes assessed, and will direct what rate of interest shall be demanded in case taxes are not paid at the time specified.

ART. 9. To see if the town will instruct the Assessors to remit all such taxes as cannot, in their judgment, be collected.

ART. 10. To see if the town will pay firemen the ensuing year.

ART. 11. To bring in their ballots, "Yes" or "No," in answer to the question, "Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale of intoxicating liquors?"

ART. 12. "To see if the town will accept Chap. 374 of the Acts and Resolves of 1895."

ART. 13. "To see if the town will appropriate one hundred dollars for the purpose of fitting up the Hook and Ladder room suitable for holding its meetings in," as asked for by F. D. Tripp and nine others.

ART. 14. "To see if the town will adopt a by-law regulating the transportation for hire within the limits of this town, of passenger, freight or baggage, fixing a fee for licenses for such transportation and providing a penalty for violation of the provisions of such by-law."

ART. 15. To see if the town will concrete Commercial Avenue along Sunset Lake from Greenleaf Avenue to New York Avenue.

And to act upon and transact all business which may legally come before said meeting.

Hereof fail not and give public notice by causing this warrant to be published in the Martha's Vineyard Herald, and by posting two copies thereof in two public places in the town at least seven days before the time of said meeting.

And make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at the time and place specified in this warrant.

Given under our hands this twenty-ninth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six.

FRED O. LUCE,	}	Selectmen
WILLIAM H. DAVIS.		of
THOMAS D. CROWELL,		Cottage City.

Pursuant to above instructions, I hereby notify and warn the inhabitants of said town of Cottage City, qualified to vote as expressed in this warrant, to meet at the time and place and for the purposes specified.

LARROY S. LEWIS, Constable.

Cottage City, February 29, 1896.

Errata.

Page 15. S. Q. Rice, school expenses, should be \$28.40 instead of \$28.00.

Page 23. Frank Pachico, repairs of concrete, should be \$96.31 instead of \$87.25.

OMISSION.

At the time of closing accounts, Wood, Bicknell & Co. failed to return receipted bill for two flags, \$13.50, which should be included in school expenses.

Report of Superintendent of Schools.

To the School Committee of Cottage City:—

GENTLEMEN,—I have the honor of presenting to you the following report of the progress and condition of the public schools, with some suggestions for their improvement. On assuming my duties as Superintendent, I found we were face to face with several problems pressing for serious consideration. Some of these have been disposed of and others are in process of solution.

Buildings.

Your new school building is without question the best in the county. The citizens of Cottage City should feel proud of the fact that they have a building, which, with the addition of a few improvements that I will mention later, will be equal to any of its class in the state and better than a large majority. The following is the report of the State Inspector of Public Buildings.

The building has four school rooms, three recitation rooms, and a Superintendent's room, all of which are light, airy, commodious, well heated and ventilated, and will certainly

infuse a spirit of cheerfulness into all who work therein. The halls which extend entirely through the building are abundantly supplied with racks for clothing, umbrellas, etc. These racks should be furnished with movable dripping pans, and the water not allowed to remain in the lower troughs as is done at present. It is not proper that the school rooms or halls should be used for play rooms. Young children must have some place, when it is not suitable to play out of doors, where they can exercise without danger of damage to the school-house. To this end the town should lay some sort of a floor in the cellar, thus furnishing a safe, comfortable play room in inclement weather. Town water should be carried to the building as soon as possible as a safeguard against fire and to furnish drinking water for the pupils. The present system of vaults for school use is neither healthful, convenient, nor as secluded as they should be. Water closets which can be cleansed by fire or with a cesspool attachment should be placed in the cellar the coming summer. This and the introduction of water are two matters which should receive attention at your earliest opportunity.

Primary Grades.

On going into the new building in October, it was found necessary to employ two teachers instead of one as had been the custom heretofore. Miss Abbie M. Vedder was taken on trial to assist Miss Snell, and has since been given a permanent position as Primary assistant. The school has been furnished with an organ, kindergarten table, moulding board, reading charts, and a variety of busy work.

I would recommend that September, the beginning of the school year, and March, the beginning of the Spring term, be made the times for children to enter the Primary School. The present custom of sending them to school as soon as

they are five years of age, no matter what part of the school year it may be, is a great mistake, and in the present crowded condition of the school is a source of much annoyance as well as a hinderance to the work, because the teachers are obliged to make extra classes for those who enter after the work has been in progress a short time. The frequency of such cases occurring as they do at all times during the school year, should not be permitted unless the child has had home training enough to enable him to take up the work wherever the class may be.

Intermediate Grades.

There has been no change in instruction in this room. The school has been furnished with such materials as the actual requirements demanded and the pupils are taking hold of the work with interest and vigor under Mrs. Pratt's tuition.

Grammar Grades.

The resignation of Principal Pratt just previous to the beginning of school in October, made it necessary to look for some one to fill his place. Considering the short notice given, we were particularly fortunate in securing the services of such a man as Mr. Harry Holbrook, who has shown himself so well fitted to conquer the difficulties of the position in which he was placed. Mr. Holbrook and his assistant, Mrs. Matilda Norton, are doing their best to perform the work of three teachers, which was given them by the combination of the Grammar and High Schools, at the commencement of the school year.

High School.

The work which is being done at present in the High School, is not entirely satisfactory. This is due to the

fact that the amount of time which can be given to each study is wholly insufficient to produce the looked for results, and *not* from any fault of the teachers.

Considering that all important factor, the greatest good to the greatest number, I have decided to recommend that the High School be made independent of the Grammar the coming term, and a competent lady teacher be hired to carry on the instruction. This will become a positive necessity after the Grammar School graduation in June, when we will have pupils from which to form three of the four classes in the High School course.

In the absence of an established High School, many parents have felt obliged to send their children away from home to give them the advantages of a higher education, such as the average boy and girl enjoys. Feeling that they prefer to educate their youth at home, the citizens of Cottage City, at their last regular meeting, voted to maintain a High School and gave the school committee power to act, when the conditions, in their judgment, made such action necessary. The present state of affairs will, in my opinion, justify the establishment of a High School; one that shall be on a par with others in the State, and offer every inducement for home education.

South School.

I wish to present for your consideration the question of transferring the pupils of the South School to the village. It has come to be an acknowledged fact that when the number of pupils in an outlying district decrease to such an extent, that there are but one or two in a class, it is not profitable to maintain a separate school for them, even if it costs as much to transport them to and from the village. Pupils in large schools have many more advantages and incentives

than those of smaller ones can possibly have, the coercive influences are greater, and the results correspondingly better. Miss Helen Norton, who has had charge of the school for some time, has always given satisfaction, and done as well as any one would have under the existing conditions. Where will these children receive the better education, is the question to be answered.

Books.

High School pupils have been furnished with books as follows: Harkness' Caesar, Collar's Beginner's Latin Book, Gage's Physics, Cathcart's Literature.

As the pupils advance it will be necessary to furnish them with such new books as are called for in the course, and some provision should be made to meet this demand.

The other schools are well supplied with the exception of United States Histories for the sixth grade and supplementary reading.

Pupils of all grades should be furnished with suitable reading so as to form a love for good literature while they are young, and foster it throughout their entire school life. If this is done, there will not be so much reading of that which is not only worthless, but actually harmful. Each room has a commodious book-case, and it would be well to encourage good reading by spending a few dollars each year in standard works such as can be used collaterally in school work. I commend the subject of a school library to your consideration.

Course of Study.

In deciding what our schools should do for the children, we must first consider what is not done by outside agencies. Our forefathers obtained by far the greater part of their edu-

cation in actual service. To-day the boy and girl must get their education in the school-room, and there in our teaching we must bring them in contact with the probable realities of life, and give them as much as we can of what they acquire by actual doing in *life's* great school.

In laying out the course which is appended to this report I have endeavored to keep in mind the needs of the average child, and suggest what will in some measure supply the lack of outside observation.

Grading.

The work to be done throughout the course has been divided into grades of one year each; the first year being called the first grade, and so on through the course. In order to maintain the required standard, each pupil must do each year's work before they can by any possibility pass on to the next. The daily work of the pupil, taken with the test work, will be made the basis of promotion, and no one can be promoted without having creditably completed the work of the preceding year.

Drawing.

Drawing has been made a part of the school course. The results are at present crude, as they must be at the start, but the interest and activity shown by the teachers will surmount all obstacles and achieve success in the end.

Music.

Vocal music has its recognized place in the school curriculum which I need not enlarge upon here. A small outlay of money is all that will be required to furnish the necessary material and hire a special instructor one day per week. This is one of the questions which should receive your immediate attention.

Politeness.

Politeness is one of the incidentals which should be more thoroughly taught in our schools. Many pupils would lead us to think, by their actions, that they were ashamed to be polite. Ashamed to be impolite should be the motto of every boy and girl. Boys of all ages should lift their hat to their teachers. "Thank you," "Excuse me," and like expressions should be heard in all our schools. Pupils should be taught the necessity of being polite in all places and at all times.

Visits by Parents.

My experience in this line has been that the great majority do not visit the school-room. If parents who have children in school would only realize the importance of frequent visits, they would be seen oftener in the school-room. These friendly visits tend to stimulate both pupils and teachers, and give the parent an opportunity to know the teacher in her work, and appreciate the difficulties by which she is beset.

Teachers.

I wish to express my gratitude to the teachers for the way in which they have aided me in establishing the new order of things. They have the interests of the school at heart and are ever ready and anxious to improve them. In these times of general advance and improvement, we cannot help recognizing the fact that "Methods in Teaching," and the "Teaching Profession," have been among the first in amount of progress, and are still making rapid strides to the front. Methods and ideas which were in their prime ten years ago, are to-day in the school rubbish heap; they have been cast aside as worse than useless; as detrimental to the true psychological order of advancement. Every progressive teacher

feels the need of keeping abreast of the times, and fitting themselves to do better work than in previous years. You have here in Cottage City one of the best institutions of the kind in the country, where you can, during the summer, learn of the new and best methods, those which have been weighed and *not* found wanting. Every teacher who expects or wishes to teach the coming year, should attend the next session of the Martha's Vineyard Summer Institute, and take one or more of the courses offered. When a teacher thinks they are too old to learn or they already know enough to teach in their particular position, rest assured that their days of usefulness in the school room are numbered.

Evening Schools.

Many small towns have found it not only desirable, but profitable to raise a small sum of money to aid in the support of an evening school for those, who have for any cause, left the public schools, and now feel the pressing necessity of a more liberal education. Such persons are always willing to contribute something towards the support of the school, but in many cases can not afford to give sufficiently to maintain it without outside help. Day-school teachers who are receiving of the town's bounty should feel duty bound to aid such an enterprise. Are there not enough young men and women in your town who would be glad of the opportunity, to guarantee such an appropriation?

Conclusion.

In conclusion, I am grateful for your confidence in me, while with *you*, I have endeavored not only to maintain the previous standard of your schools, but to raise it to one that shall be higher and more complete. The elements which we must have at the head of our school system are :

1st. An active, intelligent, conscientious committee who will direct public opinion. 2d. Competent supervision. 3d. Teachers of character who have had professional training, and have chosen teaching as their life work. 4th. A healthy public sentiment that *will not* take up, magnify, and condemn, upon the evidence of every school room rumor that may be circulated by those who have nothing better to do. Again let me thank the School Committee and citizens for their support, which has been so freely given during my term of service among you.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. SNELL, Superintendent.

School Regulations.

1. No unvaccinated child shall attend school.

2. "Chapter 198 of the Acts of 1885 provides that the school committees shall not allow any pupil to attend the public schools while any member of the household to which such pupil belongs is sick of small-pox, diphtheria or scarlet-fever, or during a period of two weeks after the death, recovery or removal of such sick person; and any pupil coming from such household shall be required to present, to the teacher of the school the pupil desires to attend, a certificate, from the attending physician or board of health, of the facts necessary to entitle him to admission in accordance with the above regulation."

3. Children of five years or older, presenting a certificate of vaccination from a physician may be admitted to the Primary school at the commencement of the Fall and Spring terms.

4. Scholars shall not be permitted to be absent from school except in case of urgent necessity, and in case of absence must furnish a written excuse from the parent or guardian.

5. Teachers shall require a satisfactory excuse for tardiness or dismissal from school before the close of the session.

6. For habitual disregard of rules or opposition to authority, a pupil may be suspended from school by the teacher, who shall immediately report the case and reasons to the parent; also to the Superintendent or School Committee for instruction.

7. Teachers shall be present at least fifteen minutes before the session begins, to open the school room, to secure good order and care for school property.

8. Teachers who are absent from sickness or any other cause, except to visit other schools by permission or request of the Superintendent, shall give immediate notice to the Chairman or Superintendent, and no teacher shall absent themselves from any session, except on account of sickness without express permission of the Superintendent or a member of the School Board.

9. Teachers who are absent from any cause shall have deducted from their salaries the amounts paid substitutes, unless the Committee shall otherwise order.

10. "Every child between the ages of eight and fourteen years, must attend school thirty weeks each year. Neglect on the part of parents or guardian to send their children is punishable by fine."

11. Chapter 203, of our state laws, says: "Whoever wilfully and maliciously or wantonly and without cause destroys, defaces, mars or injures a school-house, church or other building erected or used for purposes of education or religious instruction, or for the general diffusion of knowledge, or an outbuilding, fence, well or appurtenance of such school-house, church or other building, or furniture, apparatus or other property belonging to or connected with such school-house, church or other building, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in jail not exceeding one year.

Report of School Committee.

Your Committee have labored under difficulties in part the same as those of the previous year in being obliged through the Spring term to locate the schools in different places, where they could not be practically under the supervision of the principal, and they were further embarrassed in being unable in the Fall term to commence as arranged for September 21, until October 21, on account of the unfinished condition of the new school-house.

With the commencement of the Fall term, under the direction of the newly appointed Superintendent, the schools were organized on a system which promises well for the future, and which so far as we are informed gives general satisfaction to the public.

Under advisement of the Superintendent the Committee have arranged for a separate High School to commence with the Spring term, and to employ an additional lady assistant, the town having voted at the last March meeting to maintain a High School at the discretion of the Committee.

The new school house is recognized by the State Inspector of public buildings as equal to any of its size in the State; the system of work is under the approval of the State Board of Education, and all that now seems necessary to secure the best educational results is a little time to develop the

present system, and the hearty co-operation of the parents, and citizens of the town.

We call attention of parents especially to the following act of the Legislature :

CHAPTER 47.

(As amended by Chapter 464, 1889, and Chapter 384, 1890.)

SEC. 1. "Every person having under his control a child between the ages of eight and fourteen years, shall annually cause such child to attend some public day school in the city or town in which he resides, and such attendance shall continue for at least thirty weeks of the school year if the schools are kept open that length of time, with an allowance of two weeks' time for absences not excused by the superintendent of schools or the school committee, and for every neglect of such duty, the person offending shall, upon the complaint of the school committee or any truant officer, forfeit to the use of the public school of such city or town a sum not exceeding twenty dollars: but if such child has attended for a like period of time a private day school approved by the school committee of such city or town, or if such child has been otherwise instructed for a like period of time in the branches of learning required by law to be taught in the public schools, or has already acquired the branches of learning required by law to be taught in the public schools, or if his physical or mental condition is such as to render such attendance inexpedient or impracticable, such penalty shall not be incurred."

Further items usually presented in the report of the School Committee concerning the different grades, and management of the schools, will be found in the report of the Superintendent.

Money has been drawn in excess of appropriations, which has been used in payment of the Superintendent's salary and for High School work, for which no provision has been made but for which there will be a return from the State.

Recommendations.

We recommend that the town raise for schools,	\$2,400.00
For school expenses,	600.00

We also recommend that the floor in the basement of the school-house be cemented, and that some provision be made for sanitary out-buildings.

Thanking citizens and parents for their forbearance and support, we respectfully submit the above report.

SAMUEL Q. RICE,	} School Committee.
JOHN D. KING,	

Minority Report.

To the People of Cottage City:

I am unable to agree with the majority of the Board of School Committee in the methods by which they propose to erect and maintain a separate High School; and the matters involved seem to be of such importance as not only to justify, but to require that the reasons be stated upon which such a disagreement is based.

The plan proposed by the majority of the Committee is to start a separate High School in the vacant room in the new building; to employ a female teacher to have charge of such High School; and to import from Tisbury such pupils as may desire to attend the new High School, charging them therefor as tuition, a proportionate part of the whole expense.

It will cost two hundred dollars to furnish the room; it will cost from six hundred to eight hundred dollars a year for a competent High School teacher; it will cost for High School text-books and apparatus, not less than one hundred and fifty dollars a year, and for the first few years it will cost more than that; it will cost for chemicals and supplies, which are consumed in the using, not less than one hundred dollars a year; for encyclopedias, dictionaries, and other expensive books of reference, the cost would be very great,

and in every separate High School there is always a continual expense for little things, which are grouped under the name "incidentals." Upon the whole case, it is reasonable to estimate that the plan proposed by the majority of the Committee will involve an expense to this town of not less than one thousand dollars a year, in addition to the amount now annually expended for schools.

It is urged that some of the money which this separate High School will cost will be paid back to this town, partly by the Commonwealth, and partly by Tisbury for tuition. The claim that under the new plan we should receive some money from the State is deceptive and misleading. It is true that under the new plan, we should receive some money from the State; but it is also true that under our present system, we receive this same money from the State; and under the new plan we should receive from the State no money in addition to that which we now receive.

Some money would be received from Tisbury, but the amount would always be uncertain. No one knows how soon Tisbury would wish to withdraw from the proposed partnership, and if she should withdraw, the entire expense would devolve upon this town.

Our present Grammar School, so called, is a Grammar School, with a High School department, sufficient for our present needs. In that school, there are less than forty pupils to whom is given the whole time of two teachers. In my opinion, an additional teacher for these forty pupils, making three teachers in all, is unnecessary and unwise. The proposition to import pupils from Tisbury is itself a confession that we have not of ourselves a sufficient number to form a separate school. The needs of such High School pupils as are now in the school can be met with our present equipment, and without materially increased expenditure.

I am in favor of High School work in our schools, to the utmost limit of our needs. I had something to do with beginning it as a separate department, and of carrying it on until the beginning of the present school year. During all that time, there were but four teachers in the schools here; now there are five; it is proposed to have six; and if the Committee adopts the suggestion of a separate teacher for music, that will make seven; and the number of pupils in the schools has not increased.

The proposal for this new and separate High School was presented to the School Committee on Feb. 10, last, less than a month before the day of the annual town meeting. It was discussed informally, but no action was taken. Two days later, a special meeting of the School Committee was called to further consider the matter. It seemed to me that a proposition involving such a radical change in the schools, and such an increased annual expenditure was one of sufficient importance to require the Committee as public servants to submit the matter to the town, at the annual meeting so soon to be held; but it seemed otherwise to the majority of the Committee, and my appeal for such delay as would give to the town an opportunity to make known its will, was refused. The action then taken appears from the following extract from the records of the School Committee:

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Special Meeting, Feb. 12, 1896.

"The School Committee met at the house of J. D. King at 4 p. m.. Supt. Snell and all members present. The meeting was called for the further consideration of the establishment of a separate High School.

"Moved by Mr. King that the High School instructions be taken from the Grammar School, and placed under separate

instruction ; and that an assistant teacher be employed for that purpose. Motion carried ; Mr. Pratt wishing to be recorded as voting in the negative.

“Mr. Pratt moved to postpone the further consideration of the motion in relation to a High School, to the first meeting of the School Committee after the next annual meeting of the town. Motion not carried.

“The following motion was then voted : Moved that tuition for the Tisbury High School be as follows : That the town of Tisbury furnish supplies and text books for their own pupils, and pay such proportional part of the salary of the High School teacher as the number of High School pupils from Tisbury may be of the entire number of pupils attending the Cottage City High School. So voted. Mr. Pratt in the negative.

“Moved that the Chairman of the School Committee be authorized to order seats and all necessary furniture for the furnishing of the High School room. So voted ; Mr. Pratt wishing to be recorded in the negative.

J. D. KING, Sec.

Per S. Q. RICE.”

I have been constrained to oppose this whole scheme as impractical, useless and extravagant. I have steadfastly opposed it in committee and I have here laid the whole case before the town. I do not feel that I should do more than this ; but with my sense of what official responsibility means, I could not well do less.

Respectfully submitted,

LINWOOD S. PRATT.

Names of Scholars Enrolled.

Alley, Toney
Alley, George
Alley, Fannie
Alley, Manuel
Alley, Joseph
Alley, Joseph
Angel, Mary
Angel, Manuel
Applebee, Albert
Applebee, Flossie

Baird, Ethna
Baptiste, Amelia
Baptiste, Manuel
Baptiste, Mary
Baptiste, Joseph
Barney, Ethel
Bernado, Frank
Bernado, Mary
Bernado, Mary
Bernado, Manuel
Bernado, George
Besse, Bertha
Besse, Charlie
Besse, Walter
Blankenship, Mabel
Blankenship, Lyman
Blankenship, Frank F.

Bosworth, Walter
Bowman, Gertrude M.
Bunker, Willie
Bunker, Mina
Bunker, Fay
Bunker, Ralph
Bunker, Grace M.
Buzzell, Albert

Cawthorn, Arthur
Cawthorn, Bessie
Cawthorn, Herbert
Cawthorn, Frank
Charves, Flossie
Chandler, May
Chandler, Amelia
Chandler, Marcellus
Chandler, Lester
Chadwick, Warren
Chick, Domingo
Chick, Joseph
Chick, Manuel
Chick, Mary
Colvin, Bertha
Cooper, Mary
Corea, Mary
Corea, Carrie
Correia, Joseph

Chick, Fanny
Castelo, Mary

De Golyer, Ralph
De Golyer, Sydney
De Wolf, Floriane
Douglas, Beatrice
Dow, Earl
Doyle, Willie
Dwart, Mary
De Bettencourt, Frank
De Bettencourt, Joseph

Eddy, Bertha
Emerald, John
Emerald, Mary
Eldridge, Susie
Enos, Joseph

Francis, Flora
Fuller, Clarence

Gardner, Alice
Gifford, Arthur
Gifford, Russell
Givens, Lillie
Givens, Willie
Gilks, Wallace
Galley, Truman
Gough, Lorenzo

Harding, Lizzie D.
Harding, Laura
Harding, Willie
Haines, Fred
Haines, Lester

Healis, Dora
Healis, Herbert
Healis, Nelson
Healis, George
Hill, Marion
Howland, George

Jansen, Mary
Jepson, Beatrice
Joseph, John
Joseph, Mary

Lewis, Lina
Leighton, Augustus
Lovett, James
Look, Harold
Look, Hosea
Luce, Abbie
Luce, Byron
Landers, Irene

Marsland, Mary
Mathews, Frank
Mayhew, Linton
Mayhew, Joseph L.
Mayhew, Zenas
Maderias, Rosa
Maderias, John
Maderias, Frank
Maderias, Manuel
Menese, Lizzie
Menese, Mary
Menese, Nellie
Metell, Joseph
Metell, Manuel
Metell, Mary
Metell, Fred
McCoy, Sarah

McCoy, Mary
 Mills, Morton
 Mearea, Manuel
 Mearea, Mary

Noons, John
 Noons, Mary
 Nye, Nettie

Pease, Albert
 Pease, Leonard
 Pease, Tiny
 Pedegro, Winnifred
 Perry, Annie
 Perry, Clara
 Pratt, Gennie
 Pratt, Leland
 Pratt, Hiram
 Pratt, James
 Pachico, Manuel

Rice, Sadie
 Rice, Herbert L.
 Richardson, Flossie
 Ripley, Bertha
 Robinson, LeRoy
 Rogers, Edith
 Rogers, Grace
 Rose, Laura
 Russell, Lillian
 Ripley, Walter

Sandiford, Stella
 Silvia, Andrew
 Silvia, Lucy
 Silvia, Mary
 Silvia, Mamie

Silvia, Rose
 Silvia, Mary
 Silvia, Mary R.
 Silvia, Mary B.
 Silvia, Mary C.
 Silvia, Mary D.
 Silvia, Nellie
 Silvia, Lizzie
 Silvia, Willie
 Silvia, Julia
 Silvia, Frank
 Silvia, Edward
 Silvia, Tony
 Silvia, John
 Silvia, Joseph
 Silvia, Rosa
 Simmons, Rufus
 Silvia, Alfred
 Silvia, Manuel
 Silvia, Mary
 Silvia, Manuel
 Smith, Clarence
 Sousa, John

Taylor, Avis
 Taylor, Bessie

Vincent, Amy
 Vincent, Emily
 Vincent, Mary

Willard, Hazel
 Wade, Earl
 Wade, Arthur
 Webb, Harry
 Welsh, Grace B.
 Wesley, Daisy

Supplement to Superintendent's Report.

School Calendar.

1896.

March 23. Children admitted to Primary School. Spring
term begins.

June 12. Summer vacation.

Sept. 14. Children admitted to Primary School. Fall
term begins.

Nov. 26, and day after, Holidays.

Dec. 12. Winter vacation.

Dec. 28. Winter term begins.

1897.

Feb. 22. Holiday.

March 13. Spring vacation.

March 22. Children admitted to Primary School. Spring
term begins.

High School Course.

First Year.	Recitations Per Week.
Algebra,	5
Book-keeping and Commercial Arithmetic,	3
Composition,	2
Drawing,	2
English,	3
History, (Ancient)	3
Latin, (Lessons)	5
Physics,	3
Physical Geography,	3
Second Year.	
Algebra,	3
Botany,	2
Composition,	2
Drawing,	2
English,	3
Geometry,	5
History, (Mediæval and Modern)	3
Latin, (Cæsar and Composition)	5
Physics,	3
Third Year.	
Composition,	2
Drawing,	2
English,	3
History, (English)	3
Latin, (Cicero and Composition)	5
Geometry,	5
Physics, 18 weeks,	3
Chemistry, 18 weeks,	3
Rhetoric,	3

Fourth Year.	Recitations Per Week.
Astronomy, 18 weeks,	4
Composition,	2
Chemistry, 18 weeks,	4
Drawing,	2
English, 18 weeks,	3
English Grammar, 18 weeks,	3
Government, (Civil)	3
Latin, (Virgil and Composition)	5
Review, Arithmetic, 24 weeks; Algebra, 6 weeks; Geometry, 6 weeks,	4
American History and Geography,	2
Rhetoric,	2

Courses of Study.

READING.

First Grade.

The first year's vocabulary should consist of two or three hundred words taught objectively and used in simple, sight sentences. Have pupils use their vocabulary in short statements about objects of interest. Write and use these statements in reading lesson. Phonic analysis and synthesis. Read from chart and First Readers.

Second Grade.

Phonics. Finish First Readers and begin Second.

Third Grade.

Regular Second and Supplementary Readers. Phonics.

Fourth Grade.

Regular Third Reader with Supplementary. Phonics.

Fifth Grade.

Third and Supplementary Readers. Phonics.

Sixth, Seventh, Eighth and Ninth Grades.

Continue work in regular Reader, and supplementary books furnished, and such suitable material as can be obtained from newspapers and magazines. Occasional exercises in vocal culture. Selections from standard authors other than found in Readers. Encourage home reading. Declamations twice each term.

GEOGRAPHY.

First Grade.

Teach cardinal points. Express direction by placing objects, also by arrows. Observe such forms of water as clouds, fog, mist dew, frost, rain, snow, ice, hail, also terms hot, cold, warm, calm, breeze, gale; teach when conditions will favor observation. Pupils to know terms but not taught qualities.

Second Grade.

Review work of first year. Semi-cardinal point. Direction applied to buildings, bordering towns and places as Woods' Holl, New Bedford, Cape Cod, Nantucket. Teach distinguishing feature of forms of water, etc.

Third Grade.

Land and water forms by observation. Hill,—base, slope, summit. Valley,—plain; brook. River,—bank, source, mouth; spring; pond; lake; island; cape; isthmus; peninsular; bay; sea; strait; sound. Direction of wind by vane, good and bad effects. Use moulding board in teaching forms of land and water after observation. Island and

town geography. Complete work of second grade in forms of water as snow, rain, etc.

During the three years work, teach measurements familiarizing pupils with terms as inch, foot, yard, rod, mile. Teach appropriate memory gems. Short stories by teacher and pupil. Teach expression by written and oral work.

Fourth Grade.

Land and water forms; those not easily seen; review previous work; uses of forms of water; regions where most abundant; use pictures. Keep weather record on board; associate conditions of weather, temperature, wind and moisture. Races,—names characteristics, leading people. Draw map of school-room, yard, neighborhood. Memory gems, stories, oral and written work.

Fifth Grade.

Earth as a whole. Teach from globe, shape, size, axis, poles, circles and zones, relative amount of land and water, motions and effects; land and water masses studied, named and located. Map work from local map first. Read about people of the world, their manners, customs, etc.

Sixth Grade.

Continents,—position, form, extent and area; surface; primary and secondary highlands and slopes; plains; drainage; lake systems and lakes. Apply to each continent and learn chief in each. Reading about the natural scenery of each continent.

Seventh Grade.

Continue study of continents; complete review of sixth grade work, climate, soil, productions and productive regions with characteristic plants and animals; people; countries, relative importance; water ways; railways; political divisions; reading about countries.

Eighth Grade.

Thorough review of work of 6th and 7th grades. Show how occupations and productions depend on climate, position on earth, etc. United States,—study physical features, productions, manufactures by natural sections; commercial cities and routes; exports and imports. Other leading nations same way.

Ninth Grade.

Mathematical Geography.—Earth, form, size, circles, zones, motions and effects. Physical Geography.—Land masses—horizontal, vertical, highlands, lowlands. Water masses—oceanic waters, currents and effect; continental waters, lakes, situation and importance; rivers by systems. Climate—winds, moisture, general laws, effects. Zones of vegetation. Zoological regions. Industrial sections of the world. Exporting centers.

Suggestions.

Map drawing to illustrate; constant use of outline maps; pictures; form school cabinet; encourage outside study; map drawing showing exporting centers. Connect history with geography. Study geography of Massachusetts and have pupils record in note book.

HISTORY.

Second and Third Grades.

(No text book.) Visit places of historic interest in town (if convenient) and tell story; objects shown and talked about; historic persons; settlement, people, time, place.

Fourth Grade.

Myths, (no text book.) Stories of principal myths told by teacher; used as part of work in composition.

Fifth Grade.

Greece and Rome, (no text books.) Stories of chief places, persons and events. Use as above.

Sixth Grade.

Read United States History.

Seventh Grade.

Study to Washington's administration. Use Barnes' or similar history.

Eighth Grade.

Finish book used in 7th grade. Study to Civil War in Montgomery's.

Ninth Grade.

Finish Montgomery's. Topical review of United States History.—Study cause and effect; wars by campaigns; slavery from its beginning. Learn few dates; chief literary men. Encourage individual reading in other than school text books. Review by administrations.

ARITHMETIC.

First Grade.

Teach numbers to twelve; use objects; teach all combinations; easy problems by teacher and pupil; teach 1-2, 1-3, 1-4, foot, yard, pint, quart, peck. Teach each number and all its combinations before the next higher; aim first at accuracy, then at rapidity.

Second Grade.

Leave objects as soon as class is ready. Numbers to 20; 1-2, 1-3, 1-4, 1-5, 1-6, 1-7, 1-8, 1-9, 1-10; change halves to fourths, thirds to sixths, etc.; add halves, fourths, etc.; teach inch, rod, day, week, ounce, pound; add and subtract

by 2s, 3s, etc.; single column additions, sum not more than twenty. Tables made and recited by pupils. Roman numerals to XXV; signs—plus, minus, multiplication, division, equal; work with toy money.

Third Grade.

Numbers to 150; make and learn tables; teach tens, tens and units to 100; hundreds, tens and units to 1000, express by figures; practice adding and subtracting by 2s, 3s, 4s, etc.; add, subtract, multiply and divide fractions using objects. Teach to make and solve easy problems using measures of time, length, surface, values, capacity. Work in finding fractional parts of numbers, as $\frac{3}{5}$ of 145. Begin tables of time, weight, etc. Continue work with such fractions as 1-12, 1-15, 1-40, 1-80. Roman numerals to M; drill in column additions; written additions; finish numbers to 1000. Use bundles of sticks to express tens and hundreds.

Fourth Grade.

Write numbers to 1,000,000; simple fractions as in third grade; add, subtract, multiply, divide. Decimals, writing, reading to thousandths, add, subtract, multiply and divide simple decimals. Division, short and long; multiplication by two or more figures. Continue 3d grade tables, change fractional numbers to integers, mixed numbers larger and smaller terms. Teach reduction of compound numbers, Roman numerals to M. Original questions; analysis, simple examples in finding length, area, weight, etc.

Fifth Grade.

Numbers to billions, decimals beyond thousandths. Fractions—common denominator, add, subtract, multiply and divide. Factors of numbers, greatest common divisor, least

common multiple of small numbers. Practical problems in measuring lumber, wood, surfaces, finding contents of rooms, boxes, etc. Continue tables. Thorough review of fundamental operations. Percentage—change per cent. to fraction and reverse; other like work. Some mental work each day. Original problems, and analysis.

Sixth Grade.

Reviews. Denominative numbers, tables, change to different denominators, add, subtract, multiply and divide; measurement of land, fencing, walls, cisterns, etc.; decimals; common fractions. Percentage—find per cent. of numbers as fractional parts and as hundredths. Many original problems with analysis, using small numbers. Simple work in bills, receipts, cash and personal accounts.

Seventh Grade.

Reviews in common and decimal fractions, denominative numbers. Squares of 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12; square root of 1, 4, 9, 16, 25, 36, 49, 64, 81, 100, 121, 144. Continue percentage with simple practical problems; help pupils in selecting shortest methods. Continue work in bills, receipts, accounts; apply percentage as in common commercial discount. Arithmetical analysis and original problems. Cubes of numbers one to twelve and corresponding cube roots.

Eighth Grade.

Continue work in percentage, apply to profit and loss, insurance, stocks, etc. Simple and compound interest, with limited work in partial payments, bank discount, business papers. Metric system where there is time.

Ninth Grade.

First half year. Review interest; simple work in involution and evolution; ratio and proportion, partnership,

mensuration of such surfaces and solids as have not been taken. Last half year. Comprehensive systematic review of Arithmetic with particular reference to practical application in life. Aim at neatness, accuracy and rapidity.

LANGUAGE.

First Grade.

Oral. Have daily talks with children upon objects of interest known to the child or presented by the teacher, the aim being to get correct definite statements; use objects and pictures. Insist upon correct statements in all lessons. Drill in use of that, this, those, these, is, are, was, were, has, have. Written—Teach script and print letters, copy name of pupils, places, short sentences; use of capitals at beginning of sentence, word I, name of pupil, etc., use of period. Sounds of letters as necessary.

Second Grade.

Oral. Continue choice of words as, may and can, did and done, saw and seen; reproduction of short stories; memory work. Teach use of personal pronoun with forms of verbs as, am, has, use, singular and plural forms of nouns with appropriate verbs. Written—Capitals, names of persons, places, streets, days of week, etc.; period after abbreviations. Teach abbreviations as Mr., Mrs., St., lb., ft., pt.; correct all misspelled words, and accept only neat, accurate work.

Third Grade.

Oral. Continue choice of words; as, sit, go, see, break, throw, use in present, past and future. Combination of simple sentences to produce descriptions; reproductions; combine words of shape with verbs; simple amplification of story. Written—Review work on capitals; capitals at beginning of line of poetry, quotation, word O; quotation marks; apostrophe in contractions; abbreviations in letter

headings, forms of pronouns with verbs as, begin, draw, hang, ride, etc.; written descriptions, short dictation exercises twice a week; use singular and plurals of nouns; formation of plurals in s and es.

Fourth Grade.

Oral—Continue third grade work; some regular forms of plurals and possessives. Written—Carry written and oral work along together, making one supplement the other; one original exercise each week; three or four dictations; develop statement and question. Punctuation—Review previous work; hyphen in divided words. Review plurals in s and es; plural of man, woman, child, ox, goose, foot, etc.; encourage illustration by drawing; continue forms of letters, notes, etc.

Fifth Grade.

Explain use of common prefixes and suffix; forms of common verbs; continue work of previous grades; encourage pupils to talk freely; develop idea of subject and predicate, of sentence; continue use of capitals, punctuation, plurals, letter writing, orders and receipts for goods etc, dictations; original work once a week.

Sixth Grade.

Continue work in prefix and suffix; formation of plurals within pupil's vocabulary; forms of verbs.

Seventh Grade.

Written—Continue work as in fifth and sixth grades; notes of invitation and replies. Technical—Review previous work; simple and compound sentences; continue analysis; regular and irregular verbs and parts. Begin study of parts of speech.

Eighth Grade.

Written—Complete forms of letters, advertisements, telegrams and answers. Technical—Reviews; construction of sentences; complete study of parts of speech.

Ninth Grade.

Complete course in Grammar, reviewing carefully any points in which a class weakness is shown.

Notes.

Make every oral lesson a language lesson. Require full statements in lower grades at all times.

Written work should be examined by teacher, returned to pupil, who is to correct all mistakes.

Take subjects for compositions from other studies, correct, and have rewritten.

Teach writing of current events.

Give much attention to the formation of habits of correct expression.

Drill pupils in clear and correct enunciation.

DRAWING.

Form—Study sphere, cylinder, cube; mold in clay, also objects based on them; bring to class such objects as apple, spool etc.; teach surface, edge, corner; positions as upper, lower, lower left, right centre, etc.; distances, one inch, two inches. Drill pupils in position of body, pencil and paper, drawing horizontal, vertical and oblique lines.

Color—Colors spectrum to recognize and name, also black, white, grey. Arrangement—Repetition using colored sticks and paper.

Second and Third Grade.

Form—Study half cylinder, half cube, hemisphere, cone, pyramid, plinths; model in clay. Practice in judging and

measuring distances. Draw and cut from paper, triangles, squares, rectangles; teach base, altitude, apex, diagonal and diameter. Drawings based on forms.

Color—Review of spectrum; six primary colors, fix by comparing with hues. Use colored triangles etc. in arrangement. Copy one historic border, and construct by gluing units of color upon gray background; add margin lines.

Fourth and Fifth Grades.

Form—Draw forms studied and natural objects based on them, as potato, apple, onion, pear, bottle, inkstand, spool, tumbler, pail, book. Copy one historic ornament.

Color—Use colored paper after drawing has been made on ordinary paper. Make border or surface pattern with original modified geometrical units; teach dominant harmony; that is, use a tint as the keytone and a shade of same color.

Picture—Solids as mentioned; leaves, flowers. Observe following order in drawing objects; 1, show width and height; 2, sketch mass; 3, principal parts, 4, details; 5, corrections; 6, erase all unnecessary lines; 7, finish drawing.

Sixth and Seventh Grades.

Working drawings of sphere, spheroid, ovoid, and similar objects, as, oil can, pill box etc., representing visible and invisible edges.

Decorative—Historic border; conventionalize leaves and flowers for original designs. Teach convergence of lines; free hand drawing of cube etc., at a level with the eye; above, below. Have home work in sketching. Apply drawing to other studies.

Eighth and Ninth Grades.

Working drawing to scale. Teach plan and elevation for dog kennel; working drawing of square pyramid, frustrum

of square pyramid. Conventionalize leaves, flowers, buds and vines for original designs. Original designs for border, surface, and register. Grouping of objects as cylinder and cone; hemisphere, cylinder and prism; pail and dipper; potato, turnip and onion; gallon measure with quart measure lying on side, etc. Encourage home sketching of such objects as pump, well curb etc. Encourage pupils to express thought by drawing; draw object; follow with written description.

PHYSIOLOGY.

First, Second and Third Grades.

Know and name parts of body; uses of chief organs; care of organs; habits of cleanliness; simple laws of health.

Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Grades.

Names and functions of systems of body; digestive, circulatory, respiratory systems; location, work, organs, (1) structure, (2) use, care. Laws of health.

Seventh, Eighth and Ninth Grades.

Nervous, osseous, tegumentary system, work, organs, (1) structure, (2) use, care; special senses, organs 1 and 2, care, dependence; excretory system.

In all grades give occasional lessons on stimulants and narcotics and their effect. Frequent illustrations on board and paper by teacher and pupils.

CALISTHENICS.

Swedish System. Day's Orders.

Give at least five and not more than fifteen minutes daily, insisting on strict attention and prompt obedience.

SPELLING.

In all grades above third, use spelling book, also words from lessons. Have written spelling three times a week, oral twice.

NATURE STUDY.

First Grade.

Talks with pupils about pets, common animal and vegetable life about school-house and home ; teach to distinguish and name. Stories to teach kindness to animals.

Second and Third Grades.

Animals ; size, color, parts, habits, uses. Plants ; parts, uses, terms as stamen, corolla, pistil, calyx, petiole, blade, to be used by teacher. Minerals ; learn to recognize quartz, feldspar, mica, sandstone, slate, granite, by one distinguishing feature.

Fourth and Fifth Grades.

Animals ; study one of a class as a type. Plants ; form and veining of leaves, arrangement of leaves and buds, kinds of roots, etc. Minerals ; common varieties, hardness, lustre, color, cleavage, structure.

Sixth and Seventh Grades.

Animals ; Mollusk, clam ; radiates, starfish. Plants ; deciduous and evergreen, annual, etc. ; study of food plants ; plant life by zones. Minerals ; minerals by outline. Have pupils observe and record conditions of weather ; leading stars, planets, and constellations from time to time ; eclipses when they occur.

Eighth Grade.

Animals ; typical insects ; lower forms of life ; sponge. Plants ; collect and study types, lower forms. Minerals ; Complete study of common minerals and rocks.

Ninth Grade.

Review all previous work, completing collections made during study. Grouping of animals, plants and minerals. Map drawings showing areas of chief animal, plant and mineral products. Compare higher and lower forms of life.

Suggestions.

Aim to excite pupil's interest, then direct work. Teach new names as part of reading lesson. In all work have pupils make collections, saving best for future work. Make language one of the chief aims, and drill in oral expression; let written work take the form of the language work of the grade.

Supplement work with readings, memory gems and stories. Have pupils illustrate by frequent drawings and sketches, which are to be preserved. Have pupils collect and mount such specimens as can be found in the neighborhood.

Work to be taken up in season most favorable to study of various forms. Plants, spring and fall; minerals, winter; animals, all times of year.

Correlate with other lessons as much as possible.

Teacher to take class to the fields for study when convenient.

MEMBERSHIP, SALARIES AND AGES OF PUPILS FOR YEAR
ENDING JAN. 1, 1896.

School.	Teachers.	Grades.	Salary per month.	No. of Pupils.	No. between 5 and 14.	No. between 5 and 15.	No. between 8 and 14.	No. over 15.	Pupils enrolled Jan. 1, 1896.
High and Grammar.	Lilwood S. Pratt, Principal, (2 terms.)	High	\$90						
	Harry M. Holbrook, Principal, (1 term)	1, 2, Gram.	85	58	38	30		7	30
Intermediate.	Mrs. Matilda Norton, Assistant.	7, 8, 9,	40						
	Mrs. Tillie R. Pratt.	4, 5, 6,	45	53	52	53	47	6	42
Primary.	Caroline A. Snell, Principal.	1, 2, 3,	40	82	82	82	35	0	70
	Abbie May Vedder, Assistant.	1, 2, 3,	25						
South.	Helen Norton,	Mixed,	20	10	7	9	4	1	

ATTENDANCE FOR YEAR ENDING JAN. 1, 1896.

Teachers.	Grades.	Pupils enrolled.	Boys.	Girls.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per Cent of Attendance.	Cases of Tardiness.	Average Tardi- ness per Pupil.	Total Days Absent.	No. Pupils not Absent.	No. Pupils not Tardy.	Visits.
Lilwood S. Pratt, Prin- cipal (two terms.)	Gram.												
Harry M. Holbrook, Principal.	High.	7, 8 & 9	59	37	27	44	39	85	411	9.5	1412	0	1 105
Mrs. Matilda Norton, Assistant.	1 and 2												
Mrs. Tillie R. Pratt, Caroline A. Snell, Principal.	4, 5, 6,	53	25	28	47	42	89	170	24	513	0	7	44
Abbie May Vedder, Assistant.	1, 2, 3,	82	46	36	69	59	85.5	150	1.8	885.5	0	15	141
Helen Norton,	Mixed.	10	6	4	9	8	90	56	6	386	0	2	18

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Report of the Superintendent of Schools.

To the School Committee of Cottage City:

In accordance with the usual custom I hereby submit my fourth annual report.

Since the beginning of school in September, there have been a number of changes in the arrangement of the teaching force and the distribution of work, which it might be well to explain for the benefit of the citizens and taxpayers.

In any school system the local conditions must be considered, and thoroughly understood before an intelligent insight into the needs of each particular school can be gained and such arrangements made as will give the best results.

It is a very common thing for a person, not familiar with school work, to compare the number of pupils and teachers in the different schools and towns and criticise from a judgment formed by such a comparison, which, unless other conditions are the same, is most unjust. Each grade has a certain amount of work to do during the year whether the class numbers four pupils or twenty-four. Persons acquainted with work in graded schools know that the number of pupils in a grade does not increase or diminish the number of recitations unless the number is too large to recite in one class. For example, in the High school the fourth year class numbers, this year; one pupil, last year the same class had three, the number of recitations per week are the same for one this

year as for three last and would be the same for a class of twenty doing the work of the fourth year. If those interested in school work will consult the course of study they will find some help in understanding this subject in the column marked "number of recitations per week."

What we must do in Cottage City is to examine *our* conditions, and without regard to what other towns do, excepting as we may get aid from their arrangement, form and execute such plans as will under our conditions, give us the best results, increase the corps of teachers if occasion demands, purchase books, supplies, apparatus, etc., so far as is needful to procure the results expected from our school work. The citizens of Cottage City within my experience have always been ready to meet these demands with a generous hand.

The local condition which the school authorities find most perplexing and which calls for a larger teaching force than might, under other conditions do the work in a satisfactory manner, is the large percentage of foreign speaking children who enter our primary grades. Among the 48 pupils who entered the first grade last September, there were but eight English speaking children, or 83 1-3 per cent. speaking a foreign language. Of the 131 pupils registered in the first five grades, 73 3-10 per cent. are of foreign speaking parentage. By far the larger portion of these children come to school at the age of five years knowing practically nothing of the English language. The first work is to teach them to know and pronounce a few of the most common words such as can be taught from objects, having resource many times to interpretation by some older pupil in the room. Compare this condition with a school composed of English speaking children of five years, who have a vocabulary of at least 400 words that they can use, even if they do not know the script

and print forms, and you will begin to understand the difficulties that encompass the work in the lower grades. These conditions are not under the control of either parent or school committee, but must be dealt with in the school-room. The quick pupil must have the opportunity to advance as rapidly as he is capable, the slower one to receive such drill as occasion requires.

There was a congested condition in the Primary and Intermediate rooms, the number of pupils reaching or passing the limit of pupils for one teacher as set by the State, while the number in the Grammar and High school rooms was far below both State limit and seating capacity. The large number of pupils in the lower grades and the condition in which they enter, made it practically impossible for the teachers to make the progress in the instruction of reading that was desirable.

Reading and its sister, language work, form the most important part of the instruction in grades one and two. The power to read understandingly, is the key which unlocks the vast treasures of knowledge that have been accumulating for ages and are being stored up every day ; without this power much that is instructive and entertaining must remain in obscurity. As applied to school work, before the pupil can be advanced he must be able to read and understand such work as is fitted for the grade in which he is studying. If the child does not learn to read well such material as is placed before him in grades one and two, his future work will be a burden to him and his teacher, and if he ever gets beyond the lower grades it will be because the teacher takes time from the class as a whole, and gives him that instruction which he should have received previously. After the period is passed in which the object lesson is so prominent, how rapidly will the pupil advance unless he can read with average intelligence the

work fitted to his grade? He can perform without hesitation 9 times 4, but give him a book with the same figures arranged in a problem, and unless he can read it understandingly, how can he do the work assigned?

It was this question of the proper teaching of reading coupled with others resulting from it, that caused your school committee to institute the changes which have been made, and which we have faith to believe will result in a complete regeneration in the work from the Primary up.

The present arrangement is as follows :

	Room.		
1st grade,	5	Miss Helen Norton,	48 pupils.
2d " "	4	Miss Mina Bunker,	19 " "
3d " "	3	Miss Mary Copeland,	19 " "
4th " "	3	Miss Mary Copeland,	28 " "
5th " "	} 2	Miss Grace Platt,	20 " "
6th " "		Miss Alleetta Mills,	8 " "
7th " "		Prin. Henry Harriman	10 " "
8th " "			9 " "
9th " "			4 " "
High School,	} 1	Miss Imogen Farnum,	} 14 " "
		Prin. Harriman,	

OLD ARRANGEMENT.

Grades 1, 2 and 3, Misses Copeland and Bunker.

" 4, 5 and 6, Miss Mills.

" 7, 8 and 9, Miss Platt and Mr. Harriman.

High School, Miss Farnum and Mr. Harriman.

The work in grades one and two has been arranged so that reading and language work, or oral expression, are made most prominent, and numbers, secondary. As an aid to those pupils who enter school possessed of a fair English vocabulary, I suggest that parents assist their children with their reading lesson, at home. Such help would prove invaluable

to those who are capable of rapid advancement in the lowest grades.

There are in all classes pupils who are capable of pushing ahead more rapidly than others. This may be due to natural endowments, or to help that the child receives at home, but, be the cause traceable to either or both sources, such pupils should have opportunity, at proper intervals during the course, to make more rapid progress than their less fortunate classmates. The plan which I wish to propose for your consideration is one that is in operation in several towns, producing good results, and could be applied to our schools in the following manner.

When in the opinion of the teacher a pupil in certain grades is not having as much work as he could profitably do, the teacher notifies the principal who if satisfied that such is the case, informs the parents of the facts, secures their consent to the change and a promise to accept the responsibility of seeing that the health of the child is not impaired by the additional work. The pupil besides doing the work of his regular grade, begins his preparation for advancement by going into the recitations of the next higher grade and acquiring what he can by listening to the instruction given by the teacher and from the class work of the pupils, taking such part in the exercises as he may be able to. In this way he will gradually progress from one grade to the other without any loss that cannot be easily made up during the review work that is always found necessary. By the end of the second term he should be ready to be transferred to the advance grade and be as well prepared for his work as the average of the class to which he is promoted. This plan is used twice during the nine years below the High school, viz. first between the third and fourth grades and again between the sixth and seventh. It should be remembered that

this plan applies to none but the *brightest* pupils, those who under the present system are held back by the slower working portions of the class, and are, in consequence, in danger of forming habits of idleness that would be detrimental to their future welfare.

I wish, briefly, to call your attention to a feature of the modern school system that is receiving much attention at present, and when given fair trial becomes a permanent feature, and an important one in the education of the youth of those towns where the trial is made. "Manual Training" as usually taught comprises sewing in its various forms for the girls, and tool work for the boys. It is a co-education of hand and brain. If we pause to consider in how many ways skill of execution in one depends on a corresponding skill in the other; how many times one fails because the other can not perform its part; how in the common employments and amusements of life one co-operates with and is the necessary complement of the other, we must be convinced of the advisability of their co-education. The work is usually introduced into the seventh or eighth grade and continues through the ninth if the plain work only, is done or through the first three years in the High school if the more advanced portion is introduced. The work in sewing begins with the simplest stitch and step by step leads to the completion of such articles as pillow slips, skirts, etc., patching and darning being two important exercises taught. The boys begin by making a round or a square flower stick, and by carefully graded exercises proceed to the more complex work of making a tool chest, or a book case with carved sides thus combining the useful and ornamental. The idea is not to make a dressmaker of the girl or a carpenter of the boy, but to give both an education of hand and brain that shall help them to be as near the ideal citizen as possi-

ble. The utilitarian side has its bearing but is secondary to the educative side. The pupil learns in this work, sooner and more forcibly than in any other, the great lessons of life. They realize in a very short time that they must pay attention to their own work, that none but exact, neat, careful work will answer, that concentration of energies and nothing else will bring success. The result is very perceptible in all other departments of their school work, noticed chiefly in an improvement in neat, exact, carefully executed papers, and the general character of the recitation. Another advantage derived from the introduction of manual training is that the pupils, boys in particular, remain in school from one to two years longer. The cost of fitting up a room for this work in the basement of the school house would not exceed \$250.00, the cost per pupil taking the course, for running expenses, is not usually over \$3.00 per year. I respectfully suggest your earnest investigation of this branch of education with the object of its introduction into your school system.

The questions of tardiness and absence still retain their unfortunate prominence and will remain so until your building is fitted with a large bell to warn parents and children that the hour for school is at hand. We cannot get the best results from the work until something is done to remedy this evil. I submit a list showing prices and diameters of bells for school use.

Diameter.	Weight of bell.	Weight of bell and castings.	Price.
24 inches.	155 pounds.	225 pounds.	\$12.00
28 "	255 "	425 "	26.00
32 "	380 "	600 "	37.00
34 "	465 "	725 "	44.00

These bells are said to be made of the best alloy, well mounted and of good tone. Let us hope that in the near future the school house may be supplied with a bell large

enough to be heard throughout town under favorable conditions.

In my previous reports I have spoken of the urgent need of proper sanitation and cementing in the cellar, also of the physical and chemical appliances necessary to increase the effectiveness of the work in those two sciences. I have nothing new to say, but recommend that special appropriations be made to supply these demands.

The following changes in the corps of teachers occurred during the summer vacation.

	Resigned.	Elected.
Principal of schools,	Harry Holbrook.	Henry H. Harriman.
High school,	Clara B. Tozier.	Imogen Farnum.
Grammar assistant,	Matilda Norton.	Grace E. Platt.
Primary assistant,	Abbie Vedder.	Mina Bunker.

Miss Helen Norton was added to the force in the Primary department at the beginning of school in January.

In the selection of teachers let us bear in mind that "it makes not so much difference *what* the child studies, as *with whom* he studies." The thought expressed that the teacher makes the school, and that other agencies are of value only as they serve to increase the efficiency of the teacher's work, should be borne in mind both in the selection and retention of teachers. The requisites of a good teacher are, character, ability and special fitness, a knowledge of psychology and its application to teaching, familiarity with the educational theories of today, love for the work, and professional training. While I am a firm believer in home talent, I also believe that all should understand that no one would be considered who had not received special training or had a successful experience in teaching to offer as a partial equivalent. If a person who has neither training nor experience wishes to teach in the Cottage City schools, they should be

willing to prove their fitness by working as what is commonly termed "a trainer;" then after proving their ability and becoming familiar with the work, they could be elected without the danger that arises from passing through the experimental season with them. The best way to increase the character and efficiency of your schools, is to increase the demand for a broader education and a higher standard of skill resulting from special training or experience whenever new teachers are to be elected.

The reports of the special teachers in music and drawing are submitted for your consideration, also one from Principal Harriman.

I have prepared a brief summary of the new school laws as enacted by the last General Court. Since my object is mainly to call attention to the principal changes I have omitted the minor details, which can be had by reference to the full text of the statutes themselves.

To make the best possible American citizen out of every boy and girl is the primary object of the school, and what committee, superintendent and teachers are striving for, but if success is to crown their efforts they must have the active, sympathetic co-operation of the parents. The only way that we can keep up the proper standard of grade work, is to require each child to complete in a satisfactory manner all the work assigned to each particular grade before he can be promoted to the next. Parents ought to realize that retention in any grade for a second year is for the good of the pupil, and not the result of spite. They are informed at regular intervals of the standing of their child and the time to enquire into and correct the difficulty is when the report shows for the first time that he is not doing work that will result in his promotion, *then* is the time to call on the teacher and ascertain why it is not satisfactory and what should be done

to bring it up to the requirements. Surely the parents should be as interested in the welfare of their own child as the teacher is, and I feel sure that if they make the inquiry in anything approaching the proper spirit, they will be received with the utmost cordiality, and be informed of the true cause and the best means of correcting it. Let us hope for the close co-operation between the home and the school that their connection in the life of the child suggests.

There are a number of matters suggested in the report of Principal Harriman on which I need not make report other than to most heartily endorse what he says.

Respectfully submitted,

CLIFTON A. SNELL.

Massachusetts School Legislation.

I.

EMPLOYMENT OF CHILDREN.

[Chapter 494, Acts of 1898.]

Certain Employment of Children under Fourteen forbidden.—Section 1 changes from thirteen to fourteen the age below which no child shall be employed in a factory, workshop or mercantile establishment. It forbids his employment for wages while school is in session and all employment before six in the morning and after seven in the evening. It strikes out the requirement of thirty weeks' attendance at school during the year after a child is thirteen before he can be granted a certificate that he is fourteen, attendance now being required all the time up to fourteen.

Employment of Minors between Fourteen and Sixteen; also of Illiterate Minors.—Section 2 requires that no child under sixteen years of age shall be employed in a factory, workshop or mercantile establishment except under certain conditions.

Evidence of the Minor's Age.—Section 4 simplifies the old law somewhat with reference to the evidence of age; it designates the last school census, the certificate of birth or baptism, or the register of birth with a town or city clerk, as means of furnishing satisfactory evidence of the child's age; or other satisfactory evidence may be accepted.

II.

ATTENDANCE AND TRUANCY.

[Chapter 496, Acts of 1898.]

Length of Schooling and Subjects to be Taught.—Section 1 extends to thirty-two weeks the time the public schools must be maintained. * * * To the studies that may be taught at the option of the school committee are added book-keeping, geometry, one or more foreign languages, the elements of the natural sciences, kindergarten, manual and physical training, civil government and ethics, with such other subjects as the school committee may deem expedient.

2. There shall be at least one course of study four years in length, and the school shall be kept forty weeks at least, exclusive of vacations, in each year.

Redress for Unlawful Exclusion from School.—Section 9, which provides for redress in case a child is unlawfully excluded from school, omits the requirements in the old law that teachers shall state in writing the cause for such exclusion.

Contagious Diseases.—Section 11 adds measles to small pox, diphtheria and scarlet-fever as a reason for restraining a child from attending school. Three days must have elapsed since recovery in the case of measles (two weeks in other cases) before return to school is permissible.

Compulsory Attendance.—Section 12 MAKES ATTENDANCE UPON A PUBLIC SCHOOL COMPULSORY FOR ALL CHILDREN BETWEEN THE AGES OF SEVEN (INSTEAD OF EIGHT AS HERETOFORE) AND FOURTEEN YEARS DURING THE ENTIRE TIME (INSTEAD OF THIRTY WEEKS, AS HERETOFORE, AND WITHOUT AN ALLOWANCE FOR TWO WEEKS OF UNEXCUSED ABSENCE, AS HERETOFORE) THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS ARE IN SESSION.

The Teacher's Duty in Connection with the School Register.—Section 19, which re-enacts the law requiring teach-

ers faithfully to keep school registers, further provides :—

1. That registers of attendance shall be kept daily.
2. That they shall be kept at the schools and open to inspection during school hours.
3. That no pupil's name shall be omitted in counting the number of persons belonging to the school and the number of absences of such pupil until ten consecutive days of absences have been recorded, or until it is known that such pupil has withdrawn from the school without intention of returning (new).
4. That a pupil who is not present at least half of a session shall be marked and counted as absent for that session (new).

Habitual Truants, Absentees and School Offenders.—Sections 24, 25 and 26 name and more fully describe three classes of children that may be committed to truant schools, or elsewhere, under this act, namely :—

1. Habitual truants, children between seven and fourteen years of age who wilfully and habitually absent themselves from school.
2. Habitual absentees,—children between seven and sixteen years of age who may be found wandering about in the streets or public places, having no lawful occupation, habitually not attending school and growing up in idleness and ignorance.
3. Habitual school offenders,—children under fourteen years of age who persistently violate the reasonable regulations of the school which they attend or otherwise misbehave so as to render themselves fit subjects for exclusion therefrom.

Support of a Child in a Truant School to be paid for by the parent if so ordered.—Section 27 provides for the payment, at the discretion of the court, by the parent or guar-

dian for the support of a child while an inmate of a truant school (new).

Penalties for Neglect to send Children to School and for inducing Unlawful Absence.—Section 31 provides :—

1. THAT ANY PERSON WHO, HAVING UNDER HIS CONTROL A CHILD BETWEEN SEVEN (INSTEAD OF EIGHT, AS HERETOFORE) AND FOURTEEN YEARS OF AGE, FAILS FOR FIVE DAY SESSIONS OR FOR TEN HALF-DAY SESSIONS WITHIN ANY PERIOD OF SIX MONTHS (THIS PERIOD IS NEW) TO CAUSE SUCH CHILD TO ATTEND SCHOOL AS REQUIRED BY LAW, SHALL FORFEIT AND PAY A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN TWENTY DOLLARS. THE CHILD'S ATTENDANCE IS REQUIRED FOR THE FULL TIME THE SCHOOL IS KEPT, INSTEAD OF THIRTY WEEKS, AS HERETOFORE, AND THE ALLOWANCE OF TWO WEEKS FOR UNEXCUSED ABSENCE IS NO LONGER PERMITTED.

2. That a fine of not more than fifty dollars, (instead of not less than twenty nor more than fifty) shall be imposed upon a person for inducing any child to absent himself unlawfully from school, or for employing or harboring a child unlawfully absent from school.

Duties of Truant Officers.—Section 34 directs truant officers to inquire into all cases arising under this act and authorizes them to make complaints, serve processes and carry into execution judgments thereunder. The old provision that they shall do this "under direction of the school committee" is dropped. They are to proceed directly under the provisions of this act, by-laws having been done away with. They are also to serve as probation officers as required by section 28 (new).

Principal's Report.

To the Superintendent of Schools :

In accordance with your request I have prepared the following report as touching the needs and work of the Cottage City schools.

I would call attention to the following as needing especial notice : sanitary conditions, bell for announcing beginning of school sessions, equipment of physical and chemical laboratory, grading in the three upper Grammar grades, and set standards for promotion in same.

As to the sanitary conditions, the location of the present out-buildings renders it very difficult and severe for the younger pupils in stormy or windy weather to pass to and from the school building to them. Could they not be placed in the basement of the building, and the basement divided, giving one part to the boys, and one to the girls? Could not the basement be better fitted that the South children, at present transported, may have a better place to eat their lunches or remain in case of storm?

The need of a bell, as suggested, is caused by the exceedingly large per cent. of tardiness owing to lack of means in many families for telling when to send children, clocks differing widely, in some cases no clocks.

The equipment of our laboratory has begun and is going on whereby we may reasonably approach and soon equal the work done in towns of similar circumstances.

The grading of our three upper grades at present is unsatisfactory and unless changed is sure before long to cause us trouble, owing to a lack of preparation on part of majority to proceed, they at present not being up to standard. We need firm rules as standards to guide us, and cordial support and help of parents to give pupils all that is possible in every grade. This accomplished, the work of our High school will be raised and an incentive provided to the pupils, since they will have more for which to strive, more gained after having striven.

The discipline has been increased for the better, and better work is the result. The adding to our teaching force has helped this. Our working standard has been raised by this increase; by reason of the fact that a large percentage of our early pupils are unable to use English our upper grades have suffered in their reading ability. Now our new teacher pays marked attention to the fitting of our early pupils in that one particular. The effect will be seen later. At present the greater part of our beginners leave after the fifth year; now we hope to hold them a year or two more, thus giving them more equipment for life; then, too, the higher grade standards can be raised, thus offering greater incentive to the pupils to continue in school.

In the High school the adoption of a new course of four years and the offer of a post graduate course offers an increased field for our High school pupils desiring to go a step higher, who cannot afford the expense of a higher school or college, or for preparing them for college or normal school as they may elect. I hope this may draw many to remain in school who do not fix upon steady employment other than during the summer months, thus giving them a good environment, and broadening and enriching their minds with knowledge which today is the only key to advancement.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY H. HARRIMAN,

Principal of Cottage City Schools.

Report of Drawing or Art Instruction.

It is an unfortunate fact that in introducing drawing, or as it may be more properly called, art instruction, into the schools, one is confronted with the need of first arousing the individual to a sense of the importance of the subject. Because once, the natural tendency of a child to draw, was suppressed in the school room, the present effort to cultivate the tendency along with a keen appreciation of the beauties in Nature and Art, seems regarded as, if not still pernicious, at least worthless.

One thing should be accepted: the work in this department is *not* given to fit the ability of those pupils who through special interest or talent could take advanced work. While such are helped as opportunity offers, the course is planned for the average pupil. But it should be remembered that any subject in the curriculum is made sufficiently difficult to require some effort from the individual in acquiring knowledge. If a diligent application to any and all studies, required at school, would be advocated from the homes, there would be no difficulty whatever in the pupil accomplishing the work expected from him.

The result desired from this special instruction, is by no means to make a so-called "artist." One of the elements of education should be to give refinement, and this subject more than any other should achieve this end. I would not

ignore the utilitarian value of drawing, but as that side is more widely recognized there seems special need of drawing attention to this other and equally important phase.

"The two great fields of research which dominate school life are Nature and Man." Children show an instinctive love for the former and the fact that "wherever the love of Nature has existed it has been a faithful and sacred element of human feeling" would alone seem sufficient to justify every attempt to bring the child into closer relation with this omnipresent spirit. When a wise Creator has lavished beauty broadcast, surely we may find it worthy of study and endeavor even though it be but in a small degree, to gain a more intelligent comprehension of the laws underlying the phenomena of form and color presented to us.

The objection has been raised that through the endeavor to train what should be an instinctive pleasure, we lose more than we gain. But as Professor Shaler has written under the Landscape as a Means of Culture, "the second nature stage of the culture again makes him free with a perfected freedom. He forgets the rules—but his mind retains that which they impart."

By training in drawing, (at present through the medium of a pencil), there is gained the power of observation. A child will see twice as much when he thinks of reproducing what he sees than when he gazes without this end in view. For instance, after the careful study of a bit of dried grass, its curve, form and color, the next field of such represents much more to him. He carries a keener perception to nature in general. Many a pupil whose drawing seems mediocre will *discern* as much of the beauty about him as some who rival him in delineation. Yet he gains this power of perception through the effort put forth for his drawing, although the apparent result of his work seems worthless. Thus many

a connoisseur can not himself execute his ideal yet he must understand the grammar of the art.

After studying natural beauties we turn to man's embodiment of the same. The pupils should have constantly before them examples of the best in art; not to simply recognize a single instance, but to know and assimilate all its charms. In cities there is an inexhaustible store, accessible to all, in galleries and museums. But we have without these, minor materials at hand. The best magazines are well worth studying for their illustrations. Many of the advertisements, even, embody laws of design. At comparatively small expense reproductions of the best in art could be provided for the schools.

Ruskin tells us that "the first and most important public bulidings are the schools, and that the pupil will feel more capable of certain efforts of mind with beautiful and refined forms about him than with ugly ones." Unconscious, though we often seem of the fact, we gain much more information through sight than through hearing, and the result is often more distinct and lasting. Not only would the study of art, but literature and geography would be aided by well chosen pictures.

The school is very well supplied with materials in general for my work, but for mechanical work, the Grammar and Intermediate grades are hampered. The High school has excellent drawing kits. It would be well if the Grammar school could have the same. At least they should have dividers and triangles. At present too much time is used in attaining an end, when, by the use of mechanical appliances, half the time would be saved.

E. F. FAULKNER,
Director of Drawing.

Report of Music Teacher.

To the Superintendent of Public Schools:

I submit to you my annual report as teacher of music in the public schools of Cottage City.

The progress made during the year has been very good, taking into consideration the changes made since the school year began, in the placing of scholars, which has made it difficult to know just how the work could be done to the best advantage. The work done by the lower grades is much better than that of the higher, the pupils give better attention and manifest an interest to do the work given them, and as these pupils are promoted more and better work will be done. In the Grammar school a number of books are needed, so that each scholar can have one, in this way much better work will be done.

HATTIE L. SHUTE,

Teacher of Music.

Statistical Report

FROM JUNE 1, 1897, TO JUNE 1, 1898.

High School.

Teachers, HARRY HOLBROOK, principal of schools. Miss
CLARA B. TOZIER, yearly salary, \$450.00.

Grades 10, 11, 12 and 13.

Total enrollment,	17
Females,	9
Males,	8
Enrollment June 10, 1898,	14
Average membership,	14.42
Average attendance,	13.55
Per cent. of attendance,	94.1
Cases of tardiness,	103
Average tardiness per pupil,	7.1
Days absence,	300.5
Average absence per pupil,	20.3
Pupils not absent,	0
Pupils not tardy,	15
Number of visitors,	59
Pupils enrolled January 2, 1899,	14
Pupils between 7 and 14,	5
Pupils between 5 and 7,	0
Pupils between 14 and 15,	2
Pupils over 15,	10

Grammar School.

Teachers, HARRY HOLBROOK, principal of schools, yearly salary, \$810.00. MRS. MATILDA NORTON, assistant, yearly salary, \$360.00.

Grades 7, 8 and 9.

Total enrollment,	31
Females,	14
Males,	17
Enrollment June 10, 1898,	23
Average membership,	20.7
Average attendance,	19.6
Per cent. of attendance,	94
Cases of tardiness,	234
Average tardiness per pupil,	11
Days absence,	253
Average absence per pupil,	12.2
Pupils not absent,	0
Pupils not tardy,	4
Number of visitors,	94
Pupils enrolled January 2, 1899,	23
Pupils between 7 and 14,	21
Pupils between 5 and 7,	0
Pupils between 14 and 15,	4
Pupils over 15,	6

Intermediate School.

Teacher, MISS ALLEETTA MILLS, yearly salary, \$360.00.

Grades 4, 5 and 6.

Total enrollment,	54
Females,	24
Males,	30
Enrollment June 10, 1898,	51
Average membership,	43

Average attendance,	41
Per cent. of attendance,	95
Cases of tardiness,	264
Average tardiness per pupil,	6
Days absence,	515
Average absence per pupil,	11.9
Pupils not absent,	2
Pupils not tardy,	5
Number of visitors,	61
Pupils enrolled January 2, 1899,	41
Pupils between 7 and 14,	49
Pupils between 5 and 7,	0
Pupils between 14 and 15,	4
Pupils over 15,	1

First Primary School.

Teacher, MISS MAY COPELAND, yearly salary, \$360.00.

Grades 1 and 2.

Total enrollment,	73
Females,	35
Males,	38
Enrollment June 10, 1898,	84
Average membership,	48
Average attendance,	38.5
Per cent. of attendance,	
Cases of tardiness,	455
Average tardiness per pupil,	11.5
Days absence,	1030
Average absence per pupil,	27
Pupils not absent,	1
Pupils not tardy,	8
Number of visitors,	82
Pupils enrolled January 2, 1899,	48

Pupils between 7 and 14,	32
Pupils between 5 and 7,	44
Pupils between 14 and 15,	
Pupils over 15,	2

Second Primary School.

Teacher, MISS ABBIE M. VEDDER, yearly salary, \$270.00.

Grade 3.

Total enrollment,	28
Females,	12
Males,	16
Enrollment June 10, 1898,	28
Average membership,	27
Average attendance,	21
Per cent. of attendance,	78
Cases of tardiness,	341
Average tardiness per pupil,	17
Days absence,	522
Average absence per pupil,	26
Pupils not absent,	
Pupils not tardy,	3
Number of visitors,	75
Pupils enrolled January 2, 1899,	16
Pupils between 7 and 14,	22
Pupils between 5 and 7,	4
Pupils between 14 and 15,	0
Pupils over 15,	2

Summary of Statistics.

Total enrollment,	203
Females,	94
Males,	109
Enrollment June 10, 1898,	200
Average membership,	153.1

Average attendance.	133.6
Per cent. of attendance,	87.2
Cases of tardiness,	1,397
Average tardiness per pupil,	10.5
Days absence,	2,623.5
Average absence per pupil,	19.5
Pupils not absent,	3
Pupils not tardy,	35
Number of visitors,	
Pupils between 7 and 14 years of age,	128
Pupils between 5 and 7 years of age,	44
Pupils between 14 and 15 years of age,	10
Pupils over 15 years of age,	21
Pupils enrolled January 2, 1899,	142

Roll of Honor.

PUPILS NEITHER ABSENT NOR TARDY.

	Terms.
Baptiste, Amelia,	1
Bowman, Gertrude,	1
Charves, Flossie,	3
Howland, George,	1
Landers, Irene V.	2
Look, Harold,	2
Perry, Clara,	1
Silvia, Frank,	2
Smith, Norman,	1
Stratton, Elsie,	1

School Calendar.

1899.

March 20, Spring term begins.

April 19, Patriot's Day ; holiday.

May 30, Memorial Day ; holiday.

June 17, Summer vacation begins.

September 18, Fall term begins ; children admitted to Primary school.

November 30, Thanksgiving Day ; holiday.

December 16, Winter vacation begins.

1900.

January 1, Winter term begins.

February 22, Washington's Birthday ; holiday.

March 10, Spring vacation begins.

March 19, Spring term begins.

April 19, Patriot's Day ; holiday.

May 30, Memorial Day ; holiday.

June 16, Summer vacation begins.

Graduation Exercises, Grammar School.

Piano solo,	Susie E. Eldridge
Recitation, "Good Nature,"	Arthur U. Wade
Recitation,	Isabel Toye
Duet,	Misses Eldridge and Gallagher
"After Twenty Years,"	Wm. W. Harding
Recitation,	Joseph Enos
Essay, "Music in School Room,"	Susie E. Eldridge
Class History,	Josephine G. Gallagher
Valedictory Essay, "Art in School Room,"	Helen K. Dow

GRADUATING CLASS, GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Dow, Helen K.
Eldridge, Susie E.
Enos, Joseph.
Gallagher, Josephine A.
Harding, William W.
Wade, Arthur.

High School Courses of Study.

FIRST YEAR.

	Periods per week.		Periods per week.
Algebra,	5	Algebra,	5
*Commercial Arithmetic and Book-keeping,	3	*Commercial Arithmetic and Book-keeping,	3
English,	3	English,	3
Physics,	3	Physics,	3
Ancient and Mediaeval History,	3	Ancient and Mediaeval History,	3
Drawing,	2	Drawing,	2
Composition,	1	Composition,	1
*French,	4	*French,	4
		Latin,	4

SECOND YEAR.

Geometry,	4	Geometry,	4
English,	3	English,	3
Modern and English His- tory,	3	Modern and English His- tory,	3
*French,	4	*French,	4
*Chemistry,	2	*Chemistry,	2
Drawing,	2	Drawing,	2
Composition,	1	Composition,	1
		Latin,	4

THIRD YEAR.

	Periods per week.		Periods per week.
English,	3	English,	3
Civil Government, (18 w)	3	Civil Government, (18 w)	3
English and U. S. His-		English and U. S. His-	
tory, (18 w)	3	tory, (18 w)	3
Astronomy, (18 w)	3	Astronomy, (18 w)	3
Botany, (18 w)	3	Botany, (18 w)	3
*German,	4	*German,	4
Drawing,	2	Drawing,	2
Composition,	1	Composition,	1
		Latin,	4

FOURTH YEAR.

English and Rhetoric,	English and Rhetoric,
Advanced Mathematics,	Advanced Mathematics,
*German,	*German,
Drawing,	Drawing,
Composition,	Composition,
Trigonometry, (18 w)	Trigonometry, (18 w)
Geology, (18 w)	Geology, (18 w)
	Latin.

Studies marked * are optional. Where there are two optionals pupils must elect one.

Report of the School Committee.

To the Voters of Cottage City:—

Your Committee, in submitting their Annual Report, are aware that "brevity is the soul of wit;" and while the latter may not be appropriate in a review of the work of the year in the school department, yet in this busy world of now-a-days, all officials, who wish their reports to be read by the public, must make them brief. Changes in the corps of teachers have occurred that are specifically stated in the Superintendent's report which is submitted for your consideration. If the citizens should feel that the financial condition of the town does not warrant the expense of the sanitary arrangements endorsed by Superintendent Snell and Principal Harriman, the suggestion of a bell for the school-house is an absolute necessity in the suppression of tardiness, which, with its kindred evil, absenteeism, is still rampant in spite of the strong efforts of all connected with the schools. An appropriation of \$50.00 is asked for said purpose.

The especial interest of parents and the citizens generally is called to the great improvement of the schools as a whole; this is so marked that it cannot fail to impress any one who is at all posted on school matters by comparing previous years with the present one.

The particular attention of citizens and parents is called to the new school legislation, abstracts of which are given in

the report of Superintendent Snell, and their earnest co-operation is requested in executing the same.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

The following appropriations are asked :

For schools,	\$3,500.00
For school expenses,	500.00
For insurance. (3 years)	220.00
For superintendent's salary,	200.00
For bell on school-house,	50.00

Respectfully submitted,

A. A. BUZZELL,	}	School Committee.
S. Q. RICE,		
WILLIAM D. HARDING,		

Names of Scholars Enrolled.

Alley, Antone
Alley, Antone
Alley, Domingo
Alley, Fannie
Alley, George
Alley, Charles
Alley, John
Alley, Joseph
Anderson, Augustus
Andrade, Adelina
Andrade, Edith
Andrade, Joseph
Applebee, Albert W.
Applebee, Florence P

Baird, Ethna
Baptiste, Amelia
Baptiste, Manuel S.
Baptiste, Willie
Barney, Ethel L.
Ben, David Jule
Bernardo, George
Bernardo, Manuel
Bernardo, Mary
Besse, Bertha
Besse, Charles
Besse, Walter
Blankenship, Frank F.
Blankenship, Mabel
Bosworth, Walter

Bowman, Gertrude
Bowman, Warren
Bunker, Fay S.
Bunker, Frank
Bunker, Grace M.
Bunker, Mina
Bunker, Willie C.
Butler, Julia
Buzzell, Albert L.

Cawthorn, Arthur
Cawthorn, Bessie C.
Chandler, Amelia
Chandler, Lester J.
Chandler, Mary
Chandler, Harry
Charves, Florence P.
Chase, H. Weston
Collynes, Clifton
Collynes, Vivian
Cordosa, James
Cordosa, Mary
Cordosa, Sarah
Correia, Carrie
Correia, Mary
Custado, Annie
Custado, Louisa
Custado, Mary C.

De Bettencourt, Frank
De Bettencourt, Joseph S.

De Bettencourt, Mary

De Wolf, Florinne

Dow, Earl L.

Dow, Helen K.

Doyle, Willie

Duarte, Mary

Eddy, Bertha L.

Eldridge, Susie E.

Enos, Joseph A.

Francis, Flora

Gallagher, Josephine G.

Gardner, Alice

Gebeau, Manuel

Geldard, Arthur

Givens, Lillian

Gonsalves, Joseph

Gonsalves, Manuel

Gough, Lorenzo

Greene, Gladys

Hamblin, Olive D.

Harding, Annie L.

Harding, Elizabeth D.

Harding, Mary L.

Harding, William W.

Healis, Dora

Healis, George

Howland, George U.

Hunting, Hazel L.

Joseph, Ethel

Joseph, Isabella

Joseph, John

Joseph, Mary

Landers, Irene V.

Lewis, Celina H.

Look, Bertha

Look, Harold G.

Look, Hosea S.

Look, Laura B.

Lovett, James

Luce, Abbie O.

Luce, Arthur

Luce, Byron P.

Luce, Rosa

Lynch, Fenimore

Macka, Dean W.

Martin, Joseph

Matthews, Frank

Mayhew, Linton

Mayhew, Zenas D.

Medeiras, Anthony

Medeiras, Frank

Medeiras, John

Medeiras, Maggie

Medeiras, Manuel

Menard, Jane

Menard, John

Menard, Mary

Menese, Emma

Menese, Lizzie

Menese, Mary N.

Menese, Nellie

Metell, Fred

Metell, Manuel

Metell, Mary

Norton, Alice,

Norton, H. Franklin

Norton, Ina

Norton, Lottie L.

Nunes, Isabella

Nunes, John

Nunes, Joseph

Nunes, Mary

Nunes, Rosa

Pachico, Domingo

Pachico, Fannie

Pachico, Joseph

Pachico, Manuel

Pachico, Mary

Pachico, Mary
 Pease, Albert
 Pease, Elva
 Pease, Gladys
 Pease, Leonard
 Pease, Sara
 Pease, Tiny
 Perry, Anna I.
 Perry, Clara J.
 Peters, Clarence
 Peters, Josephine
 Pimental, John
 Pimental, Joseph
 Pimental, Virginia
 Pratt, Alice
 Pratt, James
 Rice, Sadie
 Ripley, Hilda
 Ripley, Walter
 Robinson, Ervin L.
 Rogers, Lewis
 Sandiford, Stella
 Shepard, Basil
 Silvia, Arthur
 Silvia, Edward J.
 Silvia, Frank
 Silvia, Frank W.
 Silvia, Joseph
 Silvia, Manuel D.
 Silvia, Jule
 Silvia, Mary L.
 Silvia, Mary R.
 Silvia, Mary V.
 Silvia, Mary W.
 Silvia, Phinehas
 Silvia, Rose
 Smith, Clarence M.
 Smith, Ernest
 Smith, Norman
 Smith, Ralph
 Sonia, Alice

Souza, Anna
 Souza, John H.
 Souza, Joseph
 Souza, Lizzie
 Souza, Mary,
 Souza, Philomena
 Stratton, Elsie
 Swartz, Jule
 Swift, Mary
 Sylvia, Albert
 Sylvia, Alfred
 Sylvia, Antone
 Sylvia, Celia
 Sylvia, Fannie
 Sylvia, Joseph
 Sylvia, Julia
 Sylvia, Lizzie
 Sylvia, Manuel
 Sylvia, Mary A.
 Sylvia, Mary B.
 Sylvia, Rosa
 Toye, Isabelle
 Vincent, Alida
 Vincent, Annie
 Vincent, Charles
 Vincent, Mary J.
 Wade, Arthur
 Wade, Earle
 Watson, John
 Webb, Ernest
 Webb, Harry
 Webb, Willie
 Welch, Grace B.
 Welch, Nathan
 Wentworth, Arthur
 Wentworth, Edward
 Wentworth, Willis
 Wesley, Daisy M.
 West, Lillian
 Wormley, Ambler



TWENTIETH ANNUAL
FINANCIAL REPORT

—OF THE—

Town of Cottage City,

—FOR THE—

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1900.

INCLUDING REPORTS OF THE TOWN CLERK,
HEALTH OFFICERS, BOARD OF ENGINEERS
OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, FINANCE COM-
MITTEE, PARK COMMISSIONERS, ROAD COM-
MISSIONERS, AND

SCHOOL REPORT.

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Auditor's Certificate.

To the Taxpayers of Cottage City:—

I herewith submit the Twentieth Annual Report of the finances of the Town of Cottage City. I have carefully examined the books of the Selectmen and Treasurer and hereby certify the same to have been correctly kept, with vouchers for all orders drawn and payments made.

Appended are reports of Town Clerk, Health Officers, Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, Finance Committee, Park Commissioners, Road Commissioners, and School Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT L. NORTON, Auditor.

Town Officers.

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS, AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

ELMER E. LANDERS,
THOMAS D. CROWELL,
EDMUND G. ELDRIDGE.

CLERK.

FRANCIS P. VINCENT.

TREASURER.

ZENAS D. LINTON.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

ZENAS D. LINTON.

AUDITOR.

HERBERT L. NORTON.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

SAMUEL Q. RICE,
JOHN D. KING,
HORATIO N. PEASE.

HEALTH OFFICERS.

WILLIAM F. WILLARD,
JOB H. GORHAM,
CHARLES W. NORTON.

BOARD OF ENGINEERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT.

HORATIO N. PEASE,
EDWARD R. SMITH,
LEWIS BARTLETT,
FRANCIS P. VINCENT,
EZEKIEL H. MATTHEWS.

ROAD COMMISSIONERS.

FRANK P. BUNKER,
JAMES A. PRATT,
ELIJAH G. MILLS.

PARK COMMISSIONERS.

WILLIAM A. VANDERHOOF,
JOHN W. McGRATH,
JOHN E. SANDIFORD.

Valuation, May 1st, 1899.

Resident personal property,	\$77,850.00
Non-resident personal property,	11,550.00
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Total personal estate,	\$89,400.00
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Resident real estate,	\$572,625.00
Non-resident real estate,	1,013,275.00
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Total real estate,	\$1,585,900.00
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Total valuation,	\$1,675,300.00
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Total resident valuation,	\$650,475.00
Total non-resident valuation,	\$1,024,825.00
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Total valuation,	1,675,300.00
Rate of taxation, \$17.40 per \$1,000.00.	
Tax on personal property,	\$1,555.56
Tax on real estate,	27,594.67
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Total property tax,	\$29,150.23
Tax on 282 polls,	564.00
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Total tax assessed May 1st, 1899,	\$29,714.23

State tax assessed,	\$840.00
County tax assessed,	3,382.55
Town tax assessed,	25,140.00
Overlayings,	351.68

Total tax assessed May 1st, 1899,	\$29,714.23
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Tax bills delivered to Zenas D. Linton, Collector, July 28, 1899.

The following items of information are taken from the Assessors' books for 1899 :

Number of horses,	130
“ cows,	114
“ dwelling houses,	1,104
“ acres of land assessed,	3,423
“ taxpayers,	1,534
“ persons paying poll tax only,	108
“ persons paying tax on property,	1,426

Town Property.

The following is a schedule of town property as furnished by the Selectmen :

School buildings and land,	\$14,000.00
Other buildings and furnishings,	3,650.00
One lot on Pequot Avenue,	300.00
Vault,	800.00

FIRE APPARATUS.

Hose house and lot, (Highlands,)	750.00
Hose house,	200.00
One Steam fire engine,	2,800.00
Two hose carts,	250.00
Two wagons, hose and fixtures,	700.00
Hose and pipes,	2,000.00
Two chemical engines,	800.00
One hook and ladder truck,	100.00
Fire alarm,	1,00.00
Land at cemetery,	800.00
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	\$28,150.00

Exempted Property.

Baptist church and land,	\$2,200.00
Baptist Association, Temple and land,	2,000.00
“ “ office and land,	2,500.00
Baptist Society, parsonage and land,	1,500.00
Catholic church and land,	1,000.00
Episcopal Society, church and land,	4,000.00
Methodist Church, church,	3,000.00
Methodist Church, chapel,	1,500.00
Methodist Society, parsonage and land,	2,000.00
Martha's Vineyard Camp Meeting Association, Tabernacle, office and land,	26,000.00
Martha's Vineyard Summer Institute, Agassiz Hall,	4,000.00
Martha's Vineyard Association, band stand,	1,000.00
Union Chapel Association, chapel and land,	6,000.00
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	\$56,700.00

Appropriations for 1899.

Schools and transportation of scholars,	\$3,500.00	
School expenses,	500.00	
Superintendent of schools,	200.00	
Insurance on school house and contents for three years,	220.00	\$4,420.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Engineer, Steamer No. 1,	\$150.00	
Steward, Steamer House and Town Hall,	150.00	
Steward, Hydrant Hose House and care of Chemical,	35.00	
Steward, Chemical House No. 2,	25.00	
Steward, Highland Hose House,	25.00	
Firemen,	395.00	
Contingent expenses of fire department.	300.00	
Clerk. Board of Engineers,	20.00	
Fuel and lights, fire department,	200.00	
Care of fire alarm battery,	75.00	
Fireman, Steamer No. 1,	15.00	
Superintendent, fire alarm,	25.00	1,415.00
Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor.		100.00
Assessors,		300.00
Treasurer,		100.00
School Committee,		75.00
Town Clerk,		40.00

Collector of taxes, salary for 1896,	\$300.00
Board of Health,	75.00
Auditor,	25.00
Moderator,	\$5.00
Police,	500.00
Night Watchman,	450.00
Watch in tower, nine months,	360.00
Sweeping streets,	200.00
Repairs of concrete,	800.00
Repairs of dirt roads,	200.00
Bulkheads and bridges	200.00
Lighting streets,	3,500.00
Public Library,	150.00
Public parks,	500.00
Memorial Day,	50.00
Town debt and interest,	5,200.00
Support of poor,	1,200.00
Collection of swill and garbage,	200.00
Health expenses,	175.00
Hydrant rental, 51 hydrants,	2,040.00
Amusement fund,	500.00
Protection of Sea View avenue and pay- ment of unpaid bills,	1,000.00
To build fence around South Burying Ground,	35.00
To pay bills contracted for clearing snow,	225.00
Incidentals,	800.00

Total appropriations assessed May 1, 1899, \$25,140.00

Expenditures.

Salaries of Town Officers.

SELECTMEN AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Elmer E. Landers, services, (Chairman,)	\$50.00
Thomas D. Crowell, “	25.00
Edmund G. Eldridge, “	25.00
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	\$100.00

ASSESSORS.

Elmer E. Landers, services,	\$100.00
Thomas D. Crowell, “	100.00
Edmund G. Eldridge, “	100.00
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	\$300.00

TOWN CLERK.

Francis P. Vincent, services,	\$40.00
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TREASURER.

Zenas D. Linton, services,	\$100.00
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COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

Zenas D. Linton, services, 1896,	\$300.00
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AUDITOR.

Herbert L. Norton, services,	\$25.00
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SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Samuel Q. Rice, services,	\$25.00
John D. King, " "	10.44
Horatio N. Pease, "	25.00
William D. Harding, "	14.56
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	\$75.00

BOARD OF HEALTH.

William F. Willard, services,	\$25.00
Job H. Gorham, "	25.00
Charles W. Norton, "	25.00
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	\$75.00

Superintendent of Schools.

Clifton A. Snell, salary as Superintendent of Schools 12 months at \$32.30 per month,	\$387.60
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Schools and Transportation of Scholars.

Henry H. Harriman, salary five months at \$75 per month,	\$375.00
three weeks at \$75 per month,	56.25
three months at \$70 per month,	210.00
Elizabeth H. Norman, salary four months at \$50 per month,	200.00
five weeks at \$50 per month,	62.50
nine days at \$50 per month,	22.50
Emma L. Benson, salary four and one-half months at \$40 per month,	180.00
two weeks and four and one-half days at \$40 per month,	29.00
nine days at \$40 per month,	18.00
May Copeland, salary eight months at \$40 per month,	320.00
three weeks at \$40 per month,	30.00

Alleetta Mills, salary seven months at \$40 per month,	\$280.00
five weeks and seven days at \$40 per month,	64.00
Grace E. Platt, salary three months at \$40 per month,	120.00
Imogen Farnum, salary three months at \$50 per month,	150.00
Edith Ames, salary five months at \$25 per month,	125.00
three weeks at \$25 per month,	18.75
Helen Norton, salary eight months at \$30 per month,	240.00
three weeks at \$30 per month,	22.50
Mina Bunker, salary three months at \$20 per month,	60.00
Hattie L. Shute, salary as teacher of music,	73.34
Eunice F. Faulkner, salary as teacher of drawing,	60.00
E. W. Dow, teaching one day,	3.50
Emma Norton, transportation of scholars, 34 weeks at \$5 per week,	170.00
Daniel Currier, services as janitor 38 weeks at \$9 per week,	342.00
labor cleaning school house,	25.50
H. L. Norton & Co., coal,	77.50
H. L. Currier, labor,	4.32
David J. Barney, coal and wood, ,	234.46
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	\$3,574.12

School Expenses.

Werner School Book Co., supplies,	\$12.00
Ginn & Co., books,	3.67
Ziegler Electric Co., acid, sulphate, etc.,	13.28
F. S. Brightman, compasses, pads, paper, etc.,	40.95
D. C. Heath & Co., supplies,	19.06
N. E. Order of Protection, table,	3.00

J. L. Hammett, books,	\$24.90
L. E. Knott Co., supplies,	68.67
W. A. Depew, encyclopedia,	25.00
Boynton, Furnace Co., grates and fire pots,	56.95
Silver, Burdett & Co., books,	1.83
D. C. Heath & Co., books, etc.,	9.28
The Beale Press, engraving,	2.17
F. S. Brightman, pencils, paper, ink, etc.,	38.75
American Book Co., books,	50.29
Allyn & Bacon, books,	1.67
Houghton, Mifflin & Co., literature series,	1.27
Bicknell & Wood, flags,	12.25
Joseph Warren, repairing clocks,	.50
Zenas D. Linton, wire, hooks, etc.,	1.01
Frank D. Tripp, tacks,	.46
Cottage City Gas Co., gas at Union Chapel,	1.40
Horatio N. Pease, supplies,	3.94
Educational Pub. Co., supplies,	.24
William Norton, repairing seat irons,	.30
Hatch & Co., freight,	3.65
C. E. Taylor, carting,	.75
N. B., M. V. & N. Steamboat Co.,	4.82
Allyn & Bacon, books,	2.72
F. S. Brightman, sponges, ink, etc.,	4.00
H. A. Eddy, stock and labor, making frames,	12.60
S. Q. Rice, services as truant officer,	5.00
H. A. Thatcher, labor, etc.,	8.66
LaRoy S. Lewis, services as truant officer,	5.00
room for truants,	10.00
G. M. Fassett, rental of piano,	8.00
Hattie L. Shute, music,	1.50
Manuel Silvado, labor,	3.00
W. S. Jernegan, vaccinating pupils,	15.00
C. A. Snell, expenses looking for teacher,	2.30

Benjamin D. Smith, labor,	\$3.75
Cottage City Water Co., water supply,	21.00
W. D. Harding, supplies,	6.31
W. F. Willard, cement,	1.25
Daniel Currier, labor at Union Chapel,	5.00
C. F. Vincent, freight and carting,	2.82
John Carter & Co., folders,	10.00
D. J. Barney, tacks, hinges, etc.,	.44
S. S. Carter, labor at school house,	3.35
F. P. Vincent, taking school census,	5.00
William Norton, Jr., window hangers,	2.00
A. C. Francis, repairing furnace,	1.50
Geo. S. Wheeler, rent of piano,	25.00
John L. Mayhew, labor and supplies,	30.18
Manitowoc Co., supplies,	31.20
S. Q. Rice, labor and supplies,	15.68
Chas. Strahan, printing programs, notices, etc.	33.40
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	\$677.72

Insurance on School House.

Edmund G. Eldridge, insurance on school building,	\$220.00
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Fire Department.

FIREMEN.

Steamer Co. No. 1, services of 19 men 6 months,	\$47.50
services of 18 men 6 months,	45.00
Hydrant Hose Co., services of 20 men one year,	100.00
Hook and Ladder Co., services of 12 men 6 months,	30.00
services of 9 men 6 months,	22.50
Chemical Contest Co. No. 2, services of men,	56.67

Highland Hose Co. No. 2, services of 13 men 6 months,	\$32.50
services of 14 men 6 months,	35.00
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	\$369.17

ENGINEER STEAMER No. 1.

Joseph F. Tripp, services one year,	\$150.00
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FIREMAN STEAMER No. 1.

Frank C. Tripp, services one year,	\$15.00
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STEWARD STEAMER HOUSE AND TOWN HALL.

Joseph F. Tripp, services one year,	\$150.00
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STEWARD HYDRANT HOSE HOUSE.

LaRoy S. Lewis, services one year,	\$35.00
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STEWARD HIGHLAND HOSE HOUSE.

Sylvanus S. Carter, services one year,	\$25.00
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STEWARD CHEMICAL No. 2 HOUSE.

John L. Mayhew, services one year,	\$25.00
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CLERK, BOARD OF ENGINEERS.

Francis P. Vincent, services one year,	\$20.00
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SUPERINTENDENT OF FIRE ALARM.

Francis P. Vincent, services one year,	\$25.00
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CARE OF FIRE ALARM BATTERY.

Joseph F. Tripp, services,	\$75.00
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FUEL AND LIGHTS.

Cottage City Gas Co., gas at Steamer House,	\$84.40
gas at Hydrant Hose House,	49.50
David J. Barney, coal and wood,	26.25
H. L. Norton & Co., coal,	29.89
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	\$190.04

CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

George M. Stevens, blue vitriol, repairs on stricker, etc.,	\$24.44
James A. Pratt, hauling steamer to fire,	5.00
Walter Carter, labor on fire alarm,	5.50
A. L. Nichols, curtains for Hydrant House,	2.00
William A. Norton, hauling Steamer to fire twice,	10.00
N. D. Webb, hauling Steamer to fire, and carting,	4.50
John C. Greene, hauling Hook and Ladder truck to fire,	3.00
C. E. Taylor, hauling fire apparatus to fires four times,	12.00
George M. Stevens, battery zincs, wire, coppers, etc.,	109.05
Cornelius Callahan Co., burnishine,	3.00
Charles K. Cole, labor on fire alarm,	12.20
American Fire Engine Co., packing migs.,	2.92
James A. Pratt, hauling Steamer to fire,	5.00
John C. Greene, hauling Chemical,	3.00
A. C. Francis, supplies,	3.25
Louis Sackett, labor,	.60
John L. Mayhew, use of team at fire,	3.00
Abbie D. Vedder, rent of room for hose carriage,	12.00
Hatch & Co., use of team at fire,	2.00
A. R. Norton, use of teams,	8.00
William L. Kelley, repairing clock,	1.25
George Leaman, labor on hose,	1.60
Frank D. Tripp, brush,	.85
John L. Mayhew, supplies,	8.55
L. C. Lair, strap,	1.00

E. S. Bowman, labor on Hook and Ladder truck,	\$5.25
Cottage City Water Co., water supply at engine houses,	24.00
Horatio N. Pease, oil, matches, brooms, etc.,	4.86
James A. Pratt, use of teams,	14.00
Francis P. Vincent, supplies, carrying and freight,	5.00
N. D. Webb, hauling fire apparatus to fires,	23.00
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	\$319.82

Police.

M. F. Cummings, rent of rooms,	\$50.00
Jason L. Dexter, services as Chief of Police from June 12 to Sept. 10th, 91 days at \$3.00 per day,	273.00
services on Willard case,	12.00
Eli A. Leighton, services as police officer from July 6th to September 4th, 61 days at \$2 per day,	122.00
Jason L. Dexter, services of special police.	36.00
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	\$493.00

State Aid.

William W. Smith,	\$72.00
John Spaulding,	72.00
James Casey,	48.00
David Benson,	48.00
Mary J. Leighton,	48.00
Mary A. Edson,	48.00
Elizabeth Smith,	48.00
Serena Smith,	48.00
Margaret S. Luther,	48.00
Antoinette J. Dalton,	40.00

Lucy A. Howland,	\$48.00
Charles W. Dix,	20.00
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	\$588.00

Night Watchman.

LaRoy S. Lewis, services from March 1st, 1899, to March 1st, 1900,	\$450.00
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Watch in Tower.

John B. Chandler, services nine months at \$40 per month,	\$360.00
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Health Expenses.

Charles Strahan, advertising,	\$25.00
John L. Mayhew, labor and stock,	8.86
Joseph Banardo, collecting rubbish,	45.00
Job H. Gorham, labor,	3.00
William F. Willard, labor and supplies,	12.55
Elmer Bassett, rent of room for Board of Health,	15.00
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	\$109.41

Repairs of Concrete.

Road Commissioners, amount of appropriation at annual meeting,	\$800.00
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NOTE.—See Road Commissioners' Report for items.

Protection of Sea View Avenue.

Road Commissioners, amount of appropriation at annual meeting,	\$1,000.00
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NOTE.—See Road Commissioners' Report for items.

Repairs of Roads.

Road Commissioners, amount of appropriation at annual meeting,	\$200.00
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NOTE.—See Road Commissioners' report for items.

Bulkheads and Bridges.

Road Commissioners, amount of appropriation at
annual meeting, \$200.00

NOTE.—See Road Commissioners' report for items.

Unpaid Bills Cleaning Snow.

Road Commissioners, amount of appropriation at
annual meeting, \$225.00

NOTE.—See Road Commissioners' report for items.

Sweeping Streets.

Road Commissioners, amount of appropriation at
annual meeting, \$200.00

NOTE.—See Road Commissioners' report for items.

Collection of Swill and Garbage.

Joseph Banardo, collecting swill and garbage for
season of 1899, \$190.00

Fencing South Burial Ground.

E. R. Tilton, lumber,	\$9.37
Henry H. Rice, lumber,	8.65
E. T. Luce, gate,	4.00
Job H. Gorham, carting posts, wire, and setting fence,	13.00

\$35.02

Less amount received for old fence, 4.02

\$31.00

Public Library.

THEBE A. NORTON, Treasurer.

Rent of room 12 months,	\$40.00
Librarian 12 months,	55.50

Sundries,	\$4.50
Books and periodicals,	50.00
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	\$150.00

Amusement Fund.

Cottage City Board of Trade, amount of appropriation at annual meeting,	\$500.00
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Public Parks.

Park Commissioners, amount of appropriation at annual meeting,	\$500.00
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Memorial Day.

Otis Foss, amount of appropriation at annual town meeting,	\$50.00
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Hydrants.

Cottage City Water Co., for rental of 51 hydrants, from November 15th, 1898, to November 15th, 1899,	\$2,040.00
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Lighting Streets.

Cottage City Gas and Electric Light Co., electric lights as per contract, nine months at \$166.66 per month,	\$1,499.94
three months at \$333.33	999.99
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	\$2,499.93
three electric lights on Atlantic avenue,	75.00
extra electric lights, season 1899,	20.00
street lights, (gas)	641.78
LaRoy S. Lewis, care of lights eight months at \$12 per month,	96.00
care of lights, June 1st to Dec. 1st, 1899,	133.50

Arthur Francis, lantern and repairs,	\$1.85
H. L. Norton & Co., oil,	10.45
John L. Mayhew, repairing lanterns,	1.25
Cornell & Mayhew, oil, matches,	
wicks, etc.,	7.93
F. O. Luce, lantern posts.	11.40
Bicknell & Wood Co., supplies,	55.50
C. F. James, freight and cartage,	1.82
Linton, Worth & Co., oil,	13.80
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	\$3,570.21

Support of Poor.

City of Taunton, aid rendered to Manual Sylvia and family,	\$49.53
Medfield Insane Asylum, board of Thomas H. Norton,	146.00
Westborough Insane Hospital, board of Annie F. Watson,	169.46
Susan G. Hutchinson, board and care of Emilie Hall,	260.00
M. V. Camp Meeting Association, storage of Mrs. Hall's goods,	12.00
F. S. Meara, medical attendance rendered Mrs. Hall,	2.00
C. F. Lane, services and medicine, Mrs. Hall,	32.15
E. L. Merry, board of Fannie W. Norton,	192.00
Ellen Marshall, board of children of Mary E. Rowe,	90.00
Elmer E. Landers, expenses to New Bedford on case of Frank Pimentel,	4.00
Union Ticket Office, for transportation to San Miquel of Frank Pimentel,	28.55
W. S. Jernegan, services rendered Edith An- drada,	1.35

Job H. Gorham, burial of Edith Andrada,	\$25.00
Look, Washburn & Co., supplies to Mrs. Watson,	3.00
Look, Washburn & Co., supplies to Mrs. Rose,	.25
Horatio N. Pease, supplies to M. R. Sylvia,	1.10
supplies to Mrs. F. U. Ripley,	28.62
H. L. Norton & Co., supplies to Mrs. Rose,	4.88
supplies to Mrs. Dix,	.55
W. D. Harding, supplies,	5.30
Linton, Worth & Co., supplies to Mrs. Rose,	32.00
supplies to Mrs. Watson,	.75
David J. Barney, supplies to Mrs. Ripley,	3.00
supplies to Mrs. Dix,	2.68
“ Mrs. Ripley,	8.40
“ Mrs. Watson,	6.26
“ Mrs. Wentworth,	3.10
“ Mrs. Ripley,	1.50
Cornell & Mayhew, supplies to Susan Dix,	1.45
supplies to Mrs. Rose,	2.00
C. F. Lane, medical attendance rendered Alviaro Olivera,	27.00
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	\$1,143.88

Incidentals.

W. E. Doane, 450 annual town reports,	\$114.00
extra table work,	5.00
printing ballots, billheads, etc.,	15.50
Charles Strahan, printing warrants, notices, etc.,	90.40
tax bills, warrants, etc.,	47.25
LaRoy S. Lewis, services as janitor of Selectmen's room,	15.00
Thomas D. Crowell, expenses to Boston on account of loan and Lake Anthony matter,	20.40
B. T. Hillman, services as attorney in case of Commonwealth vs. Cawthorn,	5.00

L. C. Wimpenney, making abstracts for assessors,	\$15.00
William H. Butler, services relative to Lake Anthony matter,	100.00
services as retainer for 1899-1900,	25.00
F. S. Brightman, books for selectmen,	24.25
B. T. Hillman, services as attorney,	10.00
E. G. Eldridge, expenses on account of Lake Anthony,	50.50
Robert W. Carpenter, services on account of Lake Anthony,	35.00
Edmund G. Beetle, services as inspector of animals and provisions,	24.00
Eugene Hayden, rent of tower for watchman,	25.00
Zenas D. Linton, expenses on account of loans, stamps, stationery and postals,	15.00
	41.56
H. L. Norton & Co., coal for selectmen's office,	3.50
Elmer E. Landers, postage,	2.26
E. G. Eldridge, account expenses Congressman Green, and Lake Anthony,	7.45
Cottage City Gas Co., gas at selectmen's room and Town hall,	10.80
David J. Barney, coal and wood for selectmen's office and night watch,	15.44
A. G. Luce, notices,	2.00
F. P. Vincent, express, freight, etc.,	1.56
T. D. Crowell, tar for drain at Sunset Lake,	7.50
A. C. Smith, labor and stock at Hydrant house,	12.24
J. W. Warren, services as ballot clerk,	2.50

Zenas D. Linton, expenses account of tax sale,	\$38.40
Geo. A. Burgess, services as ballot clerk,	2.50
L. S. Lewis, posting warrant for annual town meeting,	1.50
services at the meeting,	2.50
W. S. Howland, services as election officer,	2.50
David J. Barney, coal and wood for selectmen's office,	3.88
F. D. Tripp, care of fountain,	6.50
Thorp & Martin, supplies,	6.00
L. S. Lewis, posting warrant and officer of the day,	4.00
Adams, Cushing & Foster, ink,	.80
H. A. Eddy, services as ballot clerk,	2.50
S. P. Huxford, services as ballot clerk,	2.50
Francis P. Vincent, recording births, marriages and deaths,	15.60
freight, express, etc.,	6.00
services as clerk, board of registrars,	10.00
services at State election,	2.50
services at town clerk's meeting,	2.50
H. K. Chadwick, services as town clerk pro tem at annual meeting,	2.50
E. S. Bowman, labor on safe door,	.30
J. L. Mayhew, supplies to selectmen and night watch,	3.46
C. F. Vincent, carting,	2.25
N. D. Webb, use of team,	1.50
H. H. Rice, window at Hydrant house,	1.25

T. J. Walker, return of births,	\$4.00
Job H. Gorham, reporting deaths,	7.75
Elmer E. Landers, services election day,	2.50
militia roll and dog census,	2.50
registrar of voters,	5.00
express and postage,	1.30
Thomas D. Crowell, services election day,	2.50
militia roll and dog census,	2.50
registrar of voters,	5.00
express,	.25
Edmund G. Eldridge, services election day,	2.50
militia roll and dog census,	2.50
registrar of voters,	5.00
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	\$907.85

Amount of Orders Drawn

BY THE SELECTMEN, 1899-00.

Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor,	\$100.00
Assessors,	300.00
Town Clerk,	40.00
Treasurer,	100.00
Collector of taxes, 1896,	300.00
Auditor,	25.00
School Committee,	75.00
Board of Health,	75.00
Superintendent of schools,	387.60
Schools and transportation of scholars,	3,574.12
School expenses,	677.72
Insurance on school house,	220.00
Firemen,	369.17
Engineer, Steamer No. 1,	150.00
Fireman, Steamer No. 1,	15.00
Steward, Steamer House and Town Hall,	150.00
Steward, Hydrant Hose House	35.00
Steward, Highland Hose House,	25.00
Steward, Chemical House No. 2,	25.00
Clerk, Board of Engineers,	20.00
Superintendent, fire alarm,	25.00
Care of fire alarm battery,	75.00
Fuel and lights, fire department,	190.04
Contingent expenses of fire department,	319.82
Police,	493.00

State Aid,	\$588.00
Night Watchman,	450.00
Watch in tower,	360.00
Health expenses,	109.41
Repairs of concrete,	800.00
Protection of Sea View avenue,	1,000.00
Repairs of roads,	200.00
Bulkheads and bridges	200.00
To pay bills contracted for clearing snow,	225.00
Sweeping streets,	200.00
Collection of swill and garbage,	190.00
Fencing South Burial Ground,	31.00
Public Library,	150.00
Amusement fund,	500.00
Public parks,	500.00
Memorial Day,	50.00
Hydrant rental,	2,040.00
Lighting streets,	3,570.21
Support of poor,	1,143.88
Incidentals,	907.85
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	\$20,981.82
Orders paid, (see Treasurers account,)	\$20,146.69
Orders unpaid,	835.13
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	\$20,981.82

RECAPITULATION

Unexpended.	Appropriations.	Departments.	Expenditures.	Overdrawn.
	\$100 00	Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor,.....	\$100 00	
	300 00	Assessors,.....	300 00	
	40 00	Town Clerk,.....	40 00	
	100 00	Treasurer,.....	100 00	
	300 00	Collector of Taxes, 1896,.....	300 00	
	25 00	Auditor,.....	25 00	
	75 00	School Committee,.....	75 00	
	75 00	Board of Health,.....	75 00	
\$124 90	512 50	Superintendent of Schools, including amount from State, Schools and Transportation of Scholars, including School Fund and Dog Tax.....	387 60	
145 61	3,719 73	School Expenses,.....	3,574 12	\$177 72
5 00	5 00	Moderator,.....	677 72	
	220 00	Insurance on School House,.....	220 00	
25 83	395 00	Firemen,.....	369 17	
	150 00	Engineer, Steamer No. 1,.....	150 00	
	15 00	Fireman, Steamer No. 1,.....	15 00	
	150 00	Steward, Steamer House and Town Hall,.....	150 00	
	35 00	Steward, Hydrant Hose House,.....	35 00	
	25 00	Steward, Chemical Hose No. 2,.....	25 00	
	25 00	Steward, Highland Hose House,.....	25 00	
	20 00	Clerk, Board of Engineers,.....	20 00	
	25 00	Superintendent of Fire Alarm,.....	25 00	
	75 00	Care Fire Alarm Battery,.....	75 00	
9 96	200 00	Fuel and Lights, Fire Department,.....	190 04	
	300 00	Contingent Expenses, Fire Department, ..	319 82	19 82
7 00	500 00	Police,	493 00	

List of Jurors.

List of names selected by the Selectmen, to be placed in the jurors' box, from which to draw grand and traverse jurors, to be presented to the town for acceptance at the annual meeting, March 12, 1900.

Geo. N. Bosworth, Contractor.	Ezekiel H. Matthews, Contractor.
Eben S. Bowman, Blacksmith.	John L. Mayhew, Merchant.
George P. Briggs, Mason.	Thomas A. McGrath, Florist.
Frank P. Bunker, Carpenter.	Sherman T. Meara, Merchant.
Alfred A. Buzzell, Carpenter.	J. Mason Mills, Farmer.
Henry K. Chadwick, Carpenter.	Howes Norris, Jr., Clerk.
Coleman A. Church, Merchant.	Allen R. Norton, Stable Keeper.
Fred D. Chase, Painter.	Charles W. Norton, Lather.
Freeman R. Cottle, Gas Mfgr.	Herbert L. Norton, Merchant.
William E. Doane, Printer.	Benjamin W. Pease, Carpenter.
Eugene Hayden, Hotel Keeper.	Frank J. Perry, Merchant.
John C. Hamblin, Ice Dealer.	John F. Randolph, Fisherman.
William D. Harding, Merchant.	Benjamin F. Rice, 2d, Carpenter.
Samuel P. Huxford, Carpenter.	Andrew Warren, Mason.
Samuel N. Kidder, Carpenter.	Nathan D. Webb, Stable Keeper.

ELMER E. LANDERS,	} Selectmen of Cottage City.
THOMAS D. CROWELL,	
EDMUND G. ELDRIDGE,	

Cottage City, February 26, 1900.

Tax Collections.

SETTLEMENT WITH ZENAS D. LINTON, COLLECTOR OF TAXES, 1896.

Balance uncollected February 15, 1899,	\$1,777.58
Interest collected,	373.17
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	\$2,150.75

Amount collected during the year,	\$1,471.63
Property held by the town subject to redemption,	57.82
Exemptions ordered,	226.90
Abatements allowed,	394.40
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	\$2,150.75

COLLECTIONS FOR 1897.

ZENAS D. LINTON, COLLECTOR.

Balance uncollected February 15, 1899,	\$4,102.30
Paid in during the year :	
February,	\$19.95
March,	372.15
April,	13.91
May,	351.38

June,	\$303.20	
July,	34.29	
August,	112.16	
September,	82.11	
October,	176.73	
November,	14.17	
December,	151.06	
January,	231.99	
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Uncollected,		<hr/> \$2,239.20

COLLECTIONS FOR 1898.

ZENAS D. LINTON, COLLECTOR.

Balance uncollected February 15, 1899, \$7,576.52

Paid in during the year :

February,	\$110.62	
March,	389.00	
April,	267.23	
May,	478.00	
June,	455.03	
July,	36.12	
August,	1,197.89	
September,	445.37	
October,	197.66	
November and December,	448.29	
January,	125.72	
February,	137.94	
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Uncollected,		<hr/> \$3,287.65

COLLECTIONS FOR 1899.

ZENAS D. LINTON, COLLECTOR.

Commitment July 28, 1899,	\$29,714.23
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Paid in during the year :	
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July and August,	\$5,490.96
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September,	6,520.23
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October,	6,228.51
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November,	2,531.32
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December,	880.93
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January,	444.83
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February,	147.89
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Uncollected,	<hr/> \$7,469.56
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Treasurer's Report.

ZENAS D. LINTON, TREASURER,

IN ACCOUNT WITH TOWN OF COTTAGE CITY.

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Cash on hand,	\$3,841.35
Temporary loan, E. G. Beetle,	1,000.00
Temporary loan, N. B. I. for Savings,	5,000.00
Temporary loan, N. B. I. for Savings,	5,000.00
Temporary loan, Martha's Vineyard Bank,	3,000.00
Temporary loan, Charles T. Luce,	3,000.00
Collection of taxes, 1896,	1,471.63
Collection of taxes, 1897,	1,863.10
Collection of taxes, 1898,	4,288.87
Collection of taxes, 1899,	22,244.67
Corporation and Bank tax,	109.25
Income school fund,	100.00
Court fees,	155.27
Cash from County Treasurer, dog tax,	119.73
Cash from State Treasurer, State Aid.	576.00
Burial of State paupers,	30.00
Carriage and baggage licenses,	44.00
Licenses, pool and billiards,	13.00

Licenses, auctioneers,	\$4.00
Licenses, druggists,	2.00
Licenses, cake walks,	8.00
Licenses, peddlers,	4.00
Rent of Town hall,	3.00
Edmund G. Beetle, account of screenings,	149.76
Cash from State, account of Superintendent of	
Schools,	312.50
Francis P. Vincent, junk,	16.86
Interest on note, Ichabod Norton, bequest,	12.00
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	\$52,368.99

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Principal of note (S. H. Norton),	\$2,000.00
Interest on above,	110.00
Principal of Note (M. V. Bank),	2,500.00
Interest on above,	62.50
Principal of note (State),	1,500.00
Interest on above,	30.00
Principal of note (Charles Weil & Co.),	5,000.00
Interest on above,	103.75
Principal of note (N. B. I. for Savings),	5,000.00
Interest on above,	87.50
Principal of note (N. B. I. for Savings),	5,000.00
Interest on above,	102.08
Principal of note (Malden Savings Bank),	1,000.00
Interest on above,	40.00
Interest on notes, \$10,000.00,	360.00
Interest on two notes, \$2,000.00,	271.12

Interest on three notes, \$4,500.00,	\$90.00
Interest on two notes, \$7,000.00,	280.00
Interest on five notes, \$10,000.00,	400.00
Interest on two notes, \$3,000.00,	120.00
Interest on three notes, \$10,000.00,	200.00
Interest on one note, \$2,500.00,	125.00
Interest on one note, \$1,600.00,	88.00
County Treasurer, account of Lagoon bridge,	50.00
Cash paid, account of court fees,	16.09
County tax,	3,382.55
State tax,	840.00
Outstanding orders,	1,019.10
Orders paid during the year,	20,146.69
Balance in the treasury,	2,444.61
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	\$52,368.99

Liabilities and Assets.

LIABILITIES.

Loan from State,	\$22,000.00
Loan from Joseph Parker & Co.,	\$10,000.00
Loan from Charles Weil & Co.,	3,000.00
Loan from N. B. I. for Savings,	2,500.00
Temporary loans,	13,600.00
Outstanding orders,	835.13
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	\$51,935.13

ASSETS.

Uncollected taxes,	\$12,996.41
Deeds of land sold for taxes,	400.00
Cash in the treasury,	2,444.61
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	\$15,841.02

NOTE.—The Ichabod Norton bequest now amounts to \$926.27. There is deposited in the New Bedford Institution for Savings \$332.84; and invested at 6 per cent. interest, \$200.00. The balance of \$393.43 is in the treasury.

Town Clerk's Report.

Report of Births, Marriages and Deaths.

BIRTHS, 1899.

DATE.	NAME OF CHILD.	SEX.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
February	4 Hollis W. Andrews,	M	Antone S. and Mary S.
April	6 Mildred E. Bunker,	F	Roy A. and Gertrude M.
"	16 ———de Bettencourt,	F	Manuel J. and Mary.
May	4 Joe G. Ameral,	M	Clement J. and Emily G.
"	7 Mamie Farria,	F	Manuel and Mary.
July	9 Antone S. Le Chandre,	M	Charles and Amelia.
"	20 Florine Maderios,	F	Frank and Mary.
"	26 Grace A. Hamblin,	F	John C. and Eunice E.
August	9 Gail Herbert Norton,	F	Herbert L. and Kate J.
"	16 Jason Vincent,	M	Manuel and Barbara.
"	20 ——— Douart,	M	Joseph and Mary.
"	28 Virginia Cardoza,	F	Manuel and Mary.
September	2 Iona J. Rowe,	F	Joseph and Mary A.
"	17 Tony Baptiste,	M	Joseph and Isabel M.
"	29 Isabel Silvia,	F	Manuel M. and Mary C.
October	2 Manuel M. Schwartz,	M	Manuel M. and Mary.
"	29 Leland S. Harriman,	M	Henry H. and Ella K.
November	8 Rose Silvia,	F	Frank and Anna L.

MARRIAGES.

DATE.	NAMES OF PARTIES.	AGE.	RESIDENCE.	WHERE BORN.
February 4	Edward T. Healis,	45	Cottage City,	Barbadoes, W. I.
"	Lizzie F. Ward,	46	" "	Randolph, Mass.
" 15	Frank A. Rowe,	21	" "	New Bedford.
"	Mabel Blankenship,	17	" "	Cottage City.
May 17	Stephen S. Sawyer,	59	Brewer, Me.,	West Hampden, Me.
"	Etta G. Bunker,	40	Cottage City,	Cranberry Isle, Me.
" 27	Henry L. Luce,	35	" "	Tisbury.
"	Helen J. Look,	23	Chilmark,	Chilmark.
June 17	George W. Bowker,	67	Cottage City,	Templeton, Mass.
"	Catherine La Duke,	52	Manchest'r, N.H	Boston.
July 3	Leonard H. Luce,	45	Cottage City,	Tisbury.
"	Julia A. Tucker,	30	Fall River,	Fall River.
September 4	Daniel M. Bradley,	22	Cottage City,	Derry, Ireland.
"	Annie J. Drummie,	23	" "	Wicklow, Ireland.
November 15	Joseph S. Reil,	34	" "	Azores.
"	Magdalene P. Maderios.	38	" "	Azores.
December 18	Joseph W. Warren,	62	" "	Fall River.
"	Julia A. Best,	45	New Bedford,	New Bedford.
" 30	Abbott L. Fisher,	20	Edgartown,	Edgartown.
"	Edith E. Gardner,	19	Cottage City,	Boston.

DEATHS.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.			CAUSE OF DEATH.
		Y.	M.	D.	
January 19	*William H. Munroe,	74	10		Chronic Asthma.
" 28	Antone Lewis,	40			Typhoid Pneumonia.
February 1	Flora B. Church,	21	8	29	Phthisis.
March 9	Nellie A. Look,	33			Tuberculosis.
" 20	Joseph E. Rowe,	32			Cerebral Hemorrhage.
April 8	Mary McGrath,	67			Pneumonia.
" 26	Frank Martin,		4	15	Heart Failure.
May 15	— West.				Still Born.
June 17	David A. Evans,	26			Drowning.
" 17	Augustus W. Leighton,	22			Drowning.
" 28	Herbert R. Cawthorn,	20			Cerebral Concussion.
July 2	Leonard T. Rowe,			12	Inanition.
" 10	William B. Devoll,	79	5		Suicide.
" 15	Delia Wilkinson,	80			Hypostatic Congestion of Lungs,
" 31	Mary E. Tilton,	26			Phthisis.
August 7	Harriet W. Bosworth,	74	3		Valvular Disease of Heart.
" 9	Gail Herbert Norton,			1	Deficient Vitality.
" 15	Edward G. Pierce,	61	8	16	Erysipelas.
" 21	*Preston A. Saxon,		7		Overdose of Opiate.
" 27	*Winfred Queeny,		4		Erysipelas.
September 6	*Horace C. Hand, 2nd,	1	6	23	Scorbutus and Marasmus.
" 10	*Sarah B. Hardon,	81	6	10	Abdominal Tumor.
" 17	*Frank J. Corely,	27			Drowning.
" 18	*Anna J. Bennett,	62			Typhoid Fever.
" 25	Elva C. Currier,	32			Consumption.
" 27	Alvin Stewart,	81	11		Valvular Disease of Heart.
October 16	Emilia Hall,	70			Suppuration of the Eye.
November 2	Mary Prodenoe,	27			Pneumonia.
" 3	Theresa M. Vatterline,	45			Cancer.
" 24	Edith Andrada,	12	6		Marasmus.
" 24	Antone Prodenoe		6		Inanition.

* Non-Residents.

SUMMARY.

Following are the statistics of births, marriages and deaths :—

BIRTHS.

Whole number of births, 18. Males, 8. Females, 10.

MARRIAGES.

Whole number of marriages, 10.

DEATHS.

Whole number of deaths, 31. Males, 17. Females, 14.
Residents, 24. Non-residents, 7.

Dog Tax Account for the Year 1899.

Whole number of dogs licensed,	66
Males,	59
Females,	7

The amount received for same, less fees, has been forwarded to the County Treasurer, receipts taken, and placed on file.

FRANCIS P. VINCENT,

Town Clerk.

Health Report.

The Board of Health respectfully submit the following report :

The board was duly organized in March, 1899, by the choice of J. H. Gorham as chairman and W. F. Willard as secretary.

The same rules and regulations of the previous year were adopted, and ordered printed in the Martha's Vineyard Herald.

The contract for emptying cesspools and cleaning out vaults was awarded to Manuel Silvado ; the work to be done and contents disposed of in a manner approved by the Board of Health. The price charged for the work not to be over \$1.25 per load from cesspools, and 50 cents per barrel from vaults, to be paid by parties having the work done.

The contract for collecting swill and garbage, from June 15 to October 1, 1899, was awarded to Joe Bernado. Said contract requires that the swill and garbage shall be collected once a day from all boarding and dwelling houses on the Bluffs, and every other day from all boarding and dwelling houses on the Highlands.

The contract for removing ashes and rubbish, from June 15 to October 1, was awarded to Joe Bernardo.

We respectfully request the following appropriations :

For health expenses, including collection of ashes and rubbish,	\$225.00
For collection of swill and garbage,	225.00

J. H. GORHAM, Chairman.

C. W. NORTON,

W. F. WILLARD, Secretary.

Report of Board of Engineers.

The following report of the Board of Engineers for the year ending March 1st, 1900, is respectfully submitted :

The force consists of seventy-nine men in the following named companies :

Steamer Company No. 1.

Hydrant Hose Company No. 1.

Highland Hose Company No. 2.

Contest Chemical Company No. 2.

Hook and Ladder Company No. 1.

APPARATUS.

One Button Steam Fire Engine.

Two 80-gallon Chemical Engines.

Two Hose Wagons.

One Hook and Ladder Truck.

Two Hose Reels.

Three thousand five hundred feet of hose.

A fire alarm of ten street boxes, fifteen house alarms, two bell alarms, and a complete cell battery for furnishing electricity to run the same.

FIRES.

June 17, alarm rung in from box 52; Highland wharf slightly burned.

July 7, alarm rung in from Steamer House; assistance asked for at Vineyard Haven; apparatus was promptly sent over with members of several companies.

July 13, alarm rung in from box 51; hennerly of Fred F. Ames destroyed.

August 1, alarm rung in from box 52; grass on fire on the Highlands.

October 17, alarm rung in from box 42; slight fire at the Gas and Electric Light plant.

Jan. 5, 1900, alarm rung in from box 41; laundry of Mrs. Margaret Lovett totally consumed.

BOARD OF FIRE ENGINEERS,

TO THE TOWN OF COTTAGE CITY, DR.

To amount received from Town of Tisbury for payment of expenses for transportation of fire apparatus to the fire which occurred in Vineyard Haven, July 7, 1899,	\$18.00
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By amount paid Hatch & Co.,	\$5.00	
By amount paid James A. Pratt,	5.00	
By amount paid Allen R. Norton,	5.00	
By amount paid John C. Green,	3.00	
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RECOMMENDATIONS

We respectfully recommend that the following named sums be raised and appropriated for use of the department the ensuing year:

Firemen,	\$395.00
Engineer Steamer No. 1,	150.00

Fireman Steamer No. 1,	\$15.00
Steward, Town Hall and firemen's rooms in same building,	150.00
Steward, Hydrant Hose House, and care Chem- ical No. 1,	35.00
Steward, Highland Hose House,	25.00
Steward, Chemical No. 2 House,	25.00
Clerk Board of Engineers,	20.00
Superintendent fire alarm,	25.00
Care fire alarm battery,	75.00
Fuel and lights, fire department,	225.00
Contingent expenses, fire department,	300.00

HORATIO N. PEASE.

E. ROLAND SMITH.

LEWIS BARTLETT.

EZEKIEL H. MATTHEWS.

FRANCIS P. VINCENT.

Report of Finance Committee.

COTTAGE CITY, February 17, 1900.

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, at the office of the Selectmen, on Saturday, the 17th day of February, 1900, it was voted that we recommend the town to make the following appropriations :

Firemen,	\$395.00
Engineer, Steamer No. 1,	150.00
Fireman, Steamer No. 1,	15.00
Steward, Steamer House and Town Hall,	150.00
Steward, Hydrant Hose House, and care Chemical Engine,	35.00
Steward, Highland Hose House,	25.00
Steward, Chemical House No. 2,	25.00
Clerk, Board of Engineers,	20.00
Superintendent, fire alarm,	25.00
Care of fire alarm battery,	75.00
Fuel and lights, fire department,	200.00
Contingent expenses of fire department,	300.00
Incidentals,	1,000.00
Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor.	100.00
Assessors,	300.00
Treasurer,	100.00
School Committee,	75.00
Town Clerk,	40.00

Auditor,	\$25.00
Board of Health,	75.00
Collector of taxes, 1897,	300.00
Night Watchman,	450.00
Sweeping streets,	200.00
Repairs of concrete,	800.00
Repairs of roads,	200.00
Bulkheads and bridges	200.00
Lighting streets,	3,500.00
Police,	500.00
Public Library,	150.00
Public parks,	500.00
Memorial Day,	25.00
Schools and transportation of scholars,	3,400.00
School expenses,	500.00
Town debt and interest,	6,000.00
Support of poor,	1,200.00
Collection of swill and garbage,	200.00
Health expenses,	100.00
Hydrant rental,	2,040.00
Amusement fund,	500.00
Repairs to out-houses and sinks at school-house,	50.00
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	\$23,945.00

Voted, To refer the matter of watch in the tower to the town meeting.

Voted, That the item of Superintendent of Schools be referred to the town.

Voted, That the bill for concrete laid in 1893 by T. D. Crowell be referred to the town meeting. Bill. \$197.00.

JOHN E. LOOK, Chairman.

H. J. GREENE, Secretary.

Park Commissioners' Report.

To the Citizens of Cottage City:

It is with a great deal of pleasure we submit our annual report for the year 1899, from the fact that we have no apologies to offer nor regrets to utter. Perfect harmony has prevailed among the members of the Board, which fact has enabled us to close our year's labor conscious of the fact that we have earned and received due credit from the summer residents, and better still, the help and confidence of our own fellow-citizens.

We ask an additional one hundred dollars to our usual appropriations for the coming year. The band stand must be painted and reshingled; the fence surrounding a portion of Ocean Park painted, and it would not be possible to do all that should be done with the usual appropriation, and keep the parks up to the standard of last season.

Ocean Park continues to be the centre of attraction. We have given this park more attention the past season than was ever before given it; rearranged the shrub beds, made new beds of flowering plants, kept the grass short, the walks clean; which, with the music of the band and the children playing around the lake, have combined to make it the ideal spot where summer visitors from the mainland and different parts of the Island may spend afternoon and evening reveling 'mid music and flowers.

Waban Park, next in importance to Ocean Park, has been the subject of considerable discussion the past season. After repeated appeals to the Board by residents adjoining the park, asking to have the sports base ball, croquet, etc., either curtailed in a measure or moved to another park of less importance, we sought by every means to satisfy all concerned, but soon found our efforts only tended to make the matter worse, for the reason that there was such a confusion of ideas among the residents as to what they did want, and the decided stand taken by the Croquet Club to ignore all authority but their own will regarding the occupying of the park by the club, your Board invited each party to the controversy to meet together with the Board, which they did; and after hearing both sides and considering the matter, we concluded that the matter being of such importance, we would leave it to be settled at the annual town meeting. The question to be decided is this, as we understand it: Will the town accept of seven hundred and fifty dollars, as subscribed by the residents adjoining Waban Park, to be used to lay out and beautify the park somewhat after the plan of Ocean Park, with a proviso that the residents will provide a sum sufficient to maintain the improvements for a term of years, thereby incurring no expense to the town; or, Will the town vote to allow Waban Park to be used and known hereafter as a play-ground for games and sports generally, and understood as such? In our judgment, no compromise is possible; if it is right and just for one person to use the park for games, it is right and just for everybody to do so. We are happy to say that both parties were satisfied to leave it to the judgment of the citizens to decide, and we will be glad to have the matter closed up.

We intended saying considerable in regard to the other parks of the town, but will only say now, we have done all

we could to keep them presentable, and another year we will present a plan to the town whereby, for a very small sum, we will bring all the parks in town so they will compare favorably with the private grounds in the vicinity of each park.

We wish to acknowledge the gentlemanly assistance we have received from Prof. Ellinwood, and wish we might have more as public spirited as he.

We herewith append our items of expenditures :

May 19, paid Hatch & Co., for lawn mower,	\$3.50
“ 19, “ John McGrath, on account parks.	100.00
June 5, “ A. P. Rathburn, repairing seats,	12.16
July 3, “ Walter Pierce, cementing pond in Ocean park,	14.00
July 7, paid John McGrath, on account parks,	100.00
July 12, “ Cottage City Water Co.,	12.00
September 26, paid John McGrath, on account parks,	150.00
September 26, paid F. D. Tripp, repairing pipe in Ocean park.	2.25
September 26, paid George Burgess, repairing curtains on band stand,	1.50
September 26, paid Manuel Silvado, pumping out lake in Ocean park,	3.00
November 20, paid John McGrath, on account parks,	25.00
November 24, paid J. E. Sandiford, painting and repairing seats and signs,	17.50
December 2, paid John McGrath, on account parks,	32.00
January 31, 1900, paid Eli Leighton, repairs on band stand,	2.50
February 7, 1900, paid Linton, Worth & Co., for tools,	1.95

Bills of 1898 :

November 9, 1899, paid Charles Strahan, quarter sheet cards,	\$1.50
February 1, 1900, John Mayhew, 50 feet cotton hose,	6.00
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Total amount expended for year 1899,	\$484.86
Unexpended balance,	\$15.14

JOHN W. McGRATH, Chairman.

W. A. VANDERHOOF.

JOHN E. SANDIFORD, Secretary.

Road Commissioners' Report.

To the Selectmen and Citizens of Cottage City:

The Road Commissioners submit the following report of their work during the fiscal year of 1899 and 1900:

Received from Selectmen on account of repairs
of dirt roads, \$200.00

Manuel M. Silvia,	labor,	\$4.84
Elijah G. Mills,	"	61.33
Augustus A. Norton,	"	4.50
Wallace Gilkes,	"	2.35
J. Mason Mills,	"	9.00
Hambel Gilkes,	"	2.50
Manuel S. DeBettincourt,	"	11.80
Percy Spaulding,	"	2.25
George Marchant,	"	7.00
Frank J. Perry,	"	9.00
John Peters,	"	1.50
Charles F. James,	"	4.50
Amos Haskins,	"	3.00
Joseph Baptiste, Jr.,	"	1.50
Charles E. Taylor,	"	7.00
Frank Pechick,	"	3.00
James A. Pratt,	"	27.00
Frank Rowe,	"	1.50
Morton M. Mills,	"	13.50

Manuel Martin,	“	3.00	
Manuel S. Machado,	“	6.00	
Herbert E. Galley,	“	1.50	
John Jones,	“	13.50	
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Overdrawn,			<hr/> \$1.07

REPAIRS OF CONCRETE.

Received from Selectmen,		\$800.00
Manuel Pechick, labor,	\$.84	
Frank Pechick, “	39.00	
Joseph G. Pechick, “	32.10	
Jules Swartz, “	28.50	
James Menese, “	39.00	
Manuel M. Silvia, “	34.50	
Manuel Swartz, “	30.00	
Henry Cory, “	34.00	
Adrian Silvia, “	17.35	
Frank P. Bunker, “	36.00	
Elijah G. Mills, “	64.50	
James A. Pratt, “	33.50	
Charles T. Luce, “	29.00	
N. D. Webb, “	2.50	
John Descohte, “	1.50	
Manuel Nunes, “	10.50	
William Bailey, “	.67	
Charles F. James, carting tar,	8.40	
J. Mason Mills, labor,	10.00	
Otis Foss, oil and brooms,	2.41	
Cornell & Mayhew, oil and brooms,	1.84	
Thomas D. Crowell, oil and tools,	25.86	
Linton, Worth & Co., tar and pitch,	441.36	
Charles Strahan, printing,	4.00	

John L. Mayhew, cesspool cover,	\$2.50	
Frank A. Marshall, stationery,	1.75	
Look, Washburn & Co., barrels,	.45	
Arthur C. Francis, labor and stock,	.50	
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		943.53
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		\$143.53
Sold to Martha's Vineyard Camp Meeting Association, 40 bar- rels tar,	\$120.00	
Sold empty tar barrels,	28.50	
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		148.50
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Unexpended balance,		\$4.97

BULKHEAD AND PROTECTION OF SEA VIEW AVENUE.

Received from Selectmen,		\$1,000.00
Manuel Enos stone,	\$26.42	
Clofus L. Gonyon,	166.95	
N. D. Webb,	15.24	
George A. Smith,	26.60	
Elisha M. Smith,	54.06	
Frank W. Chase,	15.52	
Manuel Silvia,	34.60	
Manuel S. DeBettencourt,	34.29	
Charles T. Luce,	60.51	
Charles F. James,	33.89	
John Jones,	26.10	
John C. Hamblin,	29.88	
Antone Duarte,	34.55	
John Mederios, labor,	3.75	
D. D. Norton, stone,	1.60	
Edmund G. Beetle, sand,	15.00	
David J. Barney, weighing and nails,	17.36	
Vineyard Gove Co., hard pine lumber,	11.93	

Fred O. Luce, lumber,	\$70.25	
H. L. Norton, weighing,	77.24	
Hamilton J. Greene, labor and stock,	57.48	
Domingo Alley, labor,	12.00	
Joseph Baptiste, “	4.00	
John Peters, “	3.50	
E. G. Mills, “	56.00	
F. P. Bunker, “	30.00	
H. L. Norton, stone,	6.28	
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Unexpended balance,		<hr/> \$75.00

REMOVING SNOW.

Received from Selectmen,		\$225.00
Domingo Alley, labor,	\$1.20	
John Jones, “	18.00	
James A. Pratt, “	19.50	
Manuel Martin, “	5.40	
Hamble Gilkes, “	2.80	
Manuel Rowe, “	1.20	
Morton M. Mills, “	4.00	
William W. Harding, “	.60	
Joseph L. Mayhew, “	1.60	
J. Mason Mills, “	4.40	
E. G. Mills, “	27.00	
Arnold Greene, “	1.40	
Frank Amarel, “	1.20	
Joseph F. Duarte, “	1.80	
Antone J. DeCosta, “	.90	
Antone J. Duarte, “	1.80	
Amos Haskins, “	1.20	
Manuel Silvia, “	4.80	
Adrian Silvia, “	4.80	

Manuel S. DeBettincourt, labor,	\$16.20
Edward E. Silvey,	5.40
Charles Cawthorn,	1.00
William W. Smith,	2.20
Trueman E. Galley,	3.40
John Pernas,	1.20
Joseph Silvia,	2.20
Coleman A. Church,	1.80
Fred D. Chase,	3.00
Samuel Rowe,	2.90
Joseph DeBettincourt,	1.60
Joseph Baptiste,	1.40
Darius D. Norton,	1.20
Fay L. Bunker,	3.40
Percy F. Spaulding,	6.60
Joseph Enos,	1.40
N. D. Webb,	6.00
John Martin,	1.60
Antone Andrews,	.80
Ralph W. Bunker,	5.40
William H. Parsons,	1.00
P. A. Smith,	1.00
D. Peters,	3.20
Walter M. Carter,	1.80
Wm. F. Willard,	3.20
S. Q. Rice,	1.80
Fred W. Smith,	.80
Augustus W. Leighton,	2.60
Manuel M. Silvia,	4.30
Manuel Charves,	1.80
Charles F. James,	4.50
Herbert Currier,	1.80
Benjamin W. Pease,	1.80

Frank J. Perry,	labor,	\$2.20	
Peter Pease,	"	1.80	
Manuel Silvia,	"	2.40	
Clarence M. Smith,	"	2.80	
Nelson Healis,	"	.90	
Elisha M. Smith,	"	2.45	
Augustus A. Norton,	"	6.20	
Albert Silvia,	"	.50	
Arthur C. Smith,	"	.40	
Charles W. Bunker,	"	.60	
J. Mason Mills,	"	1.20	
Ernest A. Pease,	"	.60	
Roy A. Bunker,	"	.60	
John Randolph,	"	.60	
Coleman A. Church,	"	.60	
H. W. Carter,	"	.60	
Manuel Martin,	"	1.40	
Frank P. Bunker,	"	10.00	
Elijah G. Mills,	"	8.25	
Charles T. Luce,	"	3.50	
S. S. Carter,	"	1.80	
Wilson Gorham,	"	1.20	
Adrian Silvia,	"	1.00	
		<hr/>	253.50
Overdrawn,			<hr/> \$28.50

SWEEPING STREETS.

Received from Selectmen,		\$200.00
Joseph W. Silvia, labor,	\$198.75	
Joseph G. Pechick, "	1.98	
Frank Marshall, "	1.50	
	<hr/>	202.23
Overdrawn,		<hr/> \$2.23

BULKHEADS AND BRIDGES.

Received from Selectmen,		\$200.00
Green & Wood, plank,	\$29.74	
N. B., M. V. & N. Steamboat Co.,		
freight,	2.50	
Elijah G. Mills, labor,	23.25	
Joseph G. Pechick, "	2.14	
Henry H. Rice, lumber,	14.23	
George L. Marchant, labor.	11.75	
		<u>83.61</u>
Unexpended balance,		\$116.39

Received from Selectmen.	Departments.	Expended.
\$200 00	Dirt Roads,	\$201 07
800 00	Repairs of Concrete,	943 53
1,000 00	Bulkhead, Sea View Avenue,	925 00
200 00	Sweeping Streets,	202 23
225 00	Removing Snow,	253 50
200 00	Bulkhead and Bridges,	83 61
	Unexpended Balance,	16 06
<u>\$2,625 00</u>		<u>\$2,625 00</u>

REPAIRS OF CONCRETE.

We have endeavored to make the appropriation go as far as possible, and with the assistance of Mr. Zenas D. Linton in buying tar, the cost of which was about \$2.55 per barrel, thus saving the town nearly one half over former years, we have made a fairly good showing considering the small appropriation. We hope the town will not let the concrete run down on account of a too small appropriation, and in our judgment \$1,200 will be needed the coming season.

DIRT ROADS.

There has been a very small outlay on dirt roads the past year, and we would recommend that an appropriation of \$500 be made this year, which will be needed to put them in passable condition.

SWEEPING STREETS.

For this department we recommend that \$200 be appropriated.

BULKHEADS AND BRIDGES.

For this department we recommend an appropriation of \$200, exclusive of Lagoon bridge, which, after careful examination, we find to be in need of general repairs and which matter we respectfully refer to the annual meeting for consideration.

BULKHEAD ON SEA VIEW AVENUE.

In looking over the bulkhead along Sea View avenue, we find that in some places the planking is getting weak, and we would recommend an appropriation of \$500 for repairs.

SIGNS AND GUIDE BOARDS.

The signs and guide boards of the town we find in fairly good condition.

FRANK P. BUNKER,	}	Road Commissioners.
JAMES A. PRATT,		
ELIJAH G. MILLS.		

Annual Town Meeting.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

DUKES COUNTY, ss.

To either of the Constables in the Town of Cottage City :

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Cottage City, qualified to vote in town affairs and elections, to assemble at the TOWN HALL, in said Cottage City, on MONDAY, THE TWELFTH DAY OF MARCH, A. D. 1900, at seven o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act upon the following named articles, viz :—

ARTICLE 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ARR. 2. To elect the following named town officers :

A Town Clerk.

A Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor for three years.

A Treasurer.

A Collector of Taxes.

A member of the School Committee for three years.

A member of the School Committee for one year.

A member of the Board of Health for three years.

A member of the Board of Park Commissioners for three years.

A member of the Board of Road Commissioners for three years.

Two Constables.

An Auditor.

And to vote on the question, "Shall licences be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

The polls for the reception of votes for all the aforesaid officers will be opened at 7.15 o'clock in the forenoon, and will be closed at 11.15 o'clock in the forenoon, unless a later hour be determined upon by the meeting.

ART. 3. To elect all other necessary town officers.

ART. 4. To hear the reports of Selectmen, Auditor and other committees.

ART. 5. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to pay town debts and appropriations for the ensuing year, and to make appropriations of the same.

ART. 6. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire such sums of money as may be necessary in anticipation of taxes for the year 1900, and payable therefrom.

ART. 7. To see if the town will approve the list of persons to serve as jurors, as made out by the Selectmen.

ART. 8. To see what action the town will take relative to night watch.

ART. 9. To see if the town will fix a time for the payment of all taxes assessed, and will direct what rate of interest shall be demanded in case taxes are not paid at the time specified.

ART. 10. To see if the town will instruct the Assessors to remit all such taxes as cannot, in their judgment, be collected.

- ART. 11. To see if the town will pay firemen the ensuing year.
- ART. 12. To see if the town will vote to exempt from taxation any new hotel of one hundred rooms for a term of years.
- ART. 13. To see if the town will vote to place a fire alarm box in the vicinity of the residence of Manuel B. Charves, as petitioned for by Eugene Hayden and eleven others.
- ART. 14. To see if the town will ratify and approve the action of the Board of Park Commissioners in granting the right to use a portion of Waban Park for the game of croquet; and will authorize and instruct said board to grant to the Martha's Vineyard Roque Club the right to use and improve, under the direction of said Board, that portion of said park now used by said club, and to maintain thereon the present courts and structures.
- ART. 15. To see if the town will vote to extend the concrete on School street to the cemetery line.
- ART. 16. To see if the town will vote to authorize the cemetery committee to introduce water into the cemetery.
- ART. 17. To see if the town will vote to increase its board of School Committee by the addition of three more members, one for three years, one for two years, and one for one year, as petitioned for by E. H. Matthews and fourteen others.
- ART. 18. To see if the town will vote to build a suitable bell tower upon the school-house, for the bell presented by Mr. Horatio N. Pease, as petitioned for by Charles L. Seranton and ten others.
- ART. 19. To see if the town will accept a way leading from Commercial avenue to Atlantic avenue, through Mill Park, as laid out by the Road Commissioners.

ART. 20. To see if the town will vote to bond \$4,600 of its floating indebtedness.

ART. 21. To see what method the town will adopt to establish a seal of the town, as required by Section 2 of Chapter 256 of the Acts of 1899.

And to act upon and transact all business which may legally come before said meeting.

Hereof fail not and give public notice by causing this warrant to be published in the Martha's Vineyard Herald, and by posting two copies thereof in two public places in the town at least seven days before the time of said meeting.

And make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at the time and place specified in this warrant.

Given under our hands this third day of March, one thousand nine hundred.

ELMER E. LANDERS,	}	Selectmen
THOMAS D. CROWELL,		of
EDMUND G. ELDRIDGE,		Cottage City.

Pursuant to above instructions, I hereby notify and warn the inhabitants of said town of Cottage City, qualified to vote, as expressed in this warrant, to meet at the time and place and for the purpose specified.

LAROE S. LEWIS, Constable.

Cottage City, March 3, 1900.

Report of the Superintendent of Schools.

To the School Committee of Cottage City:—

GENTLEMEN:—According to the usual custom I submit my fifth annual report upon the condition and needs of your schools.

In my last report I dwelt at length on the conditions existing in the lower grades, pointing out the urgent need of better instruction in reading, and the injurious effect of the general poor ability to read on the other work in those grades. While searching for a remedy, I investigated, among others, the “Ward,” or “Rational Method” in reading, and after satisfying myself that it was the one best fitted for application to our peculiar conditions, I recommended that it be adopted, and that the new method be put into operation at the opening of the schools in September. Although the readers of the course were not purchased, we have been working along the general lines laid down in the “manual” and with excellent results where the ideas have been carried out. The aims of the “Ward Method” are, in brief, as follows :

1. To make the child independent and self-reliant from the first.
2. To assist him in acquiring a much larger vocabulary in a given time than by other methods.
3. To furnish, during the first two years of school life, a key to the language that will assure his ability to read readily with much less labor than by former methods.

4. To teach the pupil how to work out for himself the pronunciation of new words.

In a study of the devices used we find the following distinctive features which helps secure the desired results :

1. The presentation of word sounds and their signs, both simple and compound, in their logical order.

2. The preparation of the pupil for phonetic reading during the first half year, by teaching the necessary sounds and their symbols before phonetic reading begins.

3. Training the ear and eye to recognize the sounds and signs, of which the words are composed, separately and in their different combinations.

4. The systematic use of word phonograms, which are carefully graded and gradually introduced.

5. Daily drills in word building and in the recognition of sounds, signs and combinations.

At first the pupil is taught simple sight words, as in other methods, also the sounds of letters and the most common combinations (phonograms), and has daily drills in recognizing these separately and in union with others. He is taught such sight words as *all*, *at* and *an*, the sounds of *f*, *h*, *c*, *r*, *m*, *b*, etc., the phonograms *ing*, *mg*, *ight*, and the many combinations of letters common in our language. After a few lessons in blending he is ready for word building. The following gives an idea of what he can do with the few sounds and words given above : *f-all*, *h-all*, *c-all*, *b-all*, *f-at*, *h-at*, *c-at*, *r-at*, *m-at*, *b-at*, *f-an*, *c-an*, *r-an*, *m-an*, *f-ight*, *r-ight*, *m-ight*. The pupil is taught such sight words as *go*, *come*, *see*, *fall*, etc., blends them with the phonogram *ing* and gets *going* and other words already known to him by sound. After the first half term's preparation, the work of word building and pronunciation goes on rapidly until the pupil is ready for harder words ; *tramping*, for example,

which he divides as follows: *tr-am-p-ing*. He has been taught the sound of the letter *p*, the phonograms *tr* and *ing*, and the sight word *am*; he will give these sounds in their regular order, and then blend them to pronounce the word.

The Ward method reduces the number of elements as is shown in the following words which were taken indiscriminately from a list in use in one of the grades :

Words.	Parts by Phonic Method.	By Ward Method.
Going,	G-o-ing, 4	Go-ing, 2
Become,	B-e-c-o-m, 5	Be-come, 2
Scornful,	S-c-or-n-f-u-l, 7	S-corn-ful, 3
Unkindness,	U-n-k-i n-d-n-e-s-s, . . . 9	Un-kind-ness, . . . 3
Tramping,	T-r-a-m-p-i-ng, 7	Tr-am-p-ing, . . . 4

A moment's study of the words compared will show that the "Ward Method" has less than one-half the number of word elements used in the other.

The drill in phonograms is particularly valuable to those who, from any reason, find difficulty in pronouncing our language. It gives exercise in forming each part of a word by itself before putting it into combination; for example: *going* is commonly pronounced as though spelled *go in*. In the drill work, *in* is taught as a sight word, while *ing* is taught as a phonogram with the *g* sounded distinctly to bring out the difference, which does away with the probability of mispronunciation.

Judging from the success of this method in your schools so far as it has been tried, and from the results in other schools in this district where it has been tested and the "Ward" readers used, I feel sure that when it is put into complete operation in your schools, it will so increase the efficiency of the grade work in reading as to completely eradicate the conditions now existing. I recommend the purchase of such

material as may be necessary to the successful operation of the method during the coming term.

I regret to report little if any decrease in the amount of unnecessary absence from school during the past year. The total number of days absence as shown by the registers is 2,481, which does not include the days of absence before pupils entered school in September, presumably due to cranberry picking. Your schools can never reach their highest efficiency while the present condition continues, and only a rigid enforcement of the laws governing absence and truancy will correct the evil. If the co-operation of teachers, truant officers and the court can be secured to fight the ever increasing absence in certain localities, it can be eradicated, and unless successful in so doing, the results of schooling will be meagre where they should be the most bountiful. The State laws are adequate, and if executed there would be little, if any, trouble with unnecessary absence. I append to this report a brief digest of the State laws regarding absence, and your rules relative to their enforcement by the truant officers.

During the Christmas vacation the bell which was presented to the town for school use, by Mr. Horatio N. Pease, was placed in position and the formal presentation took place in the High school room on Friday, January 5, 1900. This fine 1,100 pound Blymyer bell fills the long felt need of a school call, and can be heard, under ordinary conditions, in all portions of the village excepting in that lying in the rear of the school building, the fault being not in the bell, but in its environment. Since Mr. Pease has so kindly presented the Town with such a serviceable bell, it is only justice to the donor that it should be placed where it will be of equal use to all portions of the town. In order to accomplish this it will be necessary to raise the bell deck to a height sufficient to allow free passage of sound in all directions. I hope that

this may be provided for at the next annual town meeting.

The physics and chemistry laboratory has been partially supplied with the material necessary to successful instruction in those branches. Individual experimentation has been carried out as far as limited space and apparatus would admit. We are looking forward to the time when water will be introduced into the rooms and the laboratory supplied with the sinks and basins necessary to cleanliness and safety.

I wish once more to call your attention to the very unsatisfactory, and in some ways dangerous, condition of the sanitation in your schools. It is as much the duty of the town to provide proper sanitary arrangements in order to protect pupils from the dangers and evils that now exist, as it is to furnish other appliances necessary to successful school work. The town cannot afford to continue conditions which are unhealthful, unsightly, and not conducive to good morals. The basement of the school building should have a cement floor and sufficient sanitary apparatus placed therein. I would suggest a special appropriation to supply this deficiency.

One phase of school work which has been almost entirely neglected is that of school room decoration. Two years ago six pictures were secured for the different rooms. Since then this work has been at a standstill. Mr. Henry T. Bailey says :

“It children are daily surrounded by those influences that elevate them, that make them clean and well ordered, that make them love flowers and pictures, and proper decorations, they at least reach that degree of culture where nothing else will please them. When they grow up and have homes of their own, they must have them clean, neat, bright with pictures, and fringed with trees and flowers, for they have been brought up to be happy in no other environment.”

The silent influence of tasty decorations, masterpieces of

art, and congenial surroundings is a potent factor in the broad education of today.

The changes in the corps of teachers during the summer vacation were as follows :

RESIGNED.	GRADES.	ELECTED.
Imogen Farnum,	High,	Elizabeth Norman.
Grace Platt,	Grammar,	Emma L. Benson.
Mina Bunker,	2d Primary,	Edith Ames.

The present distribution of the teaching force is shown by the accompanying table :

TEACHERS.	POSITION.	GRADES.	PUPILS IN GRADE	ROOM.
Henry Harriman.	Principal of Schools	High and IX.,	6	2
Elizabeth Norman,	High Assistant,	High and VIII.,	12 and 10.	1
Emma L. Benson,	Grammar Assistant,	VII. and VI.,	9 and 16,	4
Alleetta Mills,	Grammar Assistant,	V. and IV.,	25 and 17,	3
May Copeland,	Third Primary,	III,	14	5
Edith Ames,	Second Primary,	II.,	23	7
Helen Norton,	First Primary,	I.,	42	8

SPECIAL TEACHERS.

Hattie Shute, Music.
Eunice F. Faulkner, Drawing.

During the first month of school it became apparent that room 3 would not seat all the pupils of grades five to nine inclusive, and grade nine was transferred to the High school room, (No. 1). This left 60 pupils in the Grammar room with Miss Mills in charge as disciplinarian of all, and teacher in grades V. and VI. In the Primary room, No. 7, some 51 pupils were registered, several of whom were not promoted last year. Near the close of the fall term 9 of these who were considered to be best fitted, were transferred to the second grade, room 8, making 24 pupils in that room, its entire seating capacity. Other changes of minor importance have taken place during the year as often as conditions seemed to warrant. Our system gives opportunity for the quick pupil to advance as rapidly as his attainments will admit. The slow pupils are given every chance and receive

every possible assistance from the teacher which will enable them to keep up to the class average, but if they fail after fair trial they are put either wholly or in part in the grade below, and again given opportunity to make up their work and regain their standing. Changes are not made until careful study has been made of the conditions, and every reasonable effort made to keep the pupil up to the required standard. It so happens that there are cases where co-operation of the parent is needed, but for some reason cannot be secured. In such instances the lack of interest manifested by the parent reverts to the detriment of the child, and the school is blamed. If the child is to receive the maximum benefit from his study, home and school, parents and teachers must understand each other and work in harmony.

I wish to call your attention to one part of the school conditions which are too often entirely ignored, that of the professional attitude of the teacher. Many persons, including teachers occasionally, seem to think that the duties of the teaching profession reach no further than the walls of the school room. This is an erroneous and a very harmful idea. It is generally understood that love for children, natural aptitude for teaching, a liberal education, power to impart knowledge, good personality, disciplinary power, and like qualifications make a part of the successful teacher's "stock in trade." The professional attitude reaches beyond there to the stand taken in regard to acquiring additional knowledge of subjects, methods and devices; the preparation of work for the class room; collection of interesting and instructive material from all sources, willingness to put entire time and energies into school interests, an active, wide awake attitude in the school room, ability and willingness to co-operate with the principal and teachers in the building, and last, but not least, the social relations of the teacher. To our teachers is

given the most important trust of the community, that of educating the coming generation. If teachers are not right in all the essentials, if they fail from negligence or incompetency, they should not be retained in service. On one side is the teacher, on the other are the pupils and the various interests they are to represent in life.

I know that it is the desire of all citizens to have their schools rank high in efficiency, and the best way to secure the desired end is to demand a high standard of excellence and retain only such teachers as can reach and maintain the required standard.

From a pamphlet recently issued by the State Board of Education, I quote the following :—

DUTIES OF THE SUPERINTENDENT.

“The duties that usually fall to the Superintendent of Schools are sufficiently indicated by the following heads :—

- “1. Planning courses of study.
- “2. Selecting and recommending text books, apparatus, etc.
- “3. Examining and nominating teachers.
- “4. Inspecting schools.
- “5. Guiding the teachers personally in their work.
- “6. Conducting teachers’ meetings.
- “7. And, in general, serving as the professional representative of the interests of the schools and as the executive officer of the school committee.”

“The success of supervision depends partly on the person employed, and partly on the strength and heartiness of the support he receives from the school committee on the one hand, and from the teachers on the other, between whom he stands and for whose common good he works.”

If the Superintendent is not fitted for the various duties enumerated, success cannot crown his efforts. If he is competent and the committee or teachers do not follow out his recommendations the schools will not show the desired prog-

ress. The Superintendent visits the schools and takes note of the teaching power, personality, methods, discipline, etc., of the different teachers and the results of their work, knows the teacher's attitude towards the duties of school life, and makes recommendations intended to better the efficiency of the schools. The Superintendent's duty is to combine his knowledge of the teacher and his qualifications, with the results shown by school room work, and make recommendations to the committee concerning changes.

In closing I wish to submit to you the following recommendations for the coming year :

1. That the bell deck be raised.
2. That the cellar floor be cemented.
3. That proper sanitary apparatus be furnished.
4. That water be introduced into the halls and laboratory.

Respectfully submitted,

CLIFTON A. SNELL.

School Calendar.

1900.

March 19, Spring term begins.
April 19, Patriot's Day ; holiday.
May 30, Memorial Day ; holiday.
June 16, Summer vacation begins.

September 17, Fall term begins ; pupils admitted to first grade.

November 29, Thanksgiving Day ; holiday.
December 22, Winter vacation begins.

1901.

January 7, Winter term begins.
February 22, Washington's Birthday ; holiday.
March 23, Spring vacation begins.

April 1, Spring term begins.
May 30, Memorial Day ; holiday.
June 15, Summer vacation begins.

Graduates.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Buzzell, Albert
Francis, Flora
Givens, Lillie
Peters, Josephine
Webb, Harrie

HIGH SCHOOL. CLASSICAL COURSE.

Harding, A. Laura

HIGH SCHOOL. ENGLISH COURSE.

Bunker, Fay
Ripley, Walter
Smith, Clarence

Roll of Honor.

PUPILS NOT LATE NOR ABSENT.

	Terms.
Alley, George	1
Bowman, Gertrude	3
Barney, Ethel	1
Bowman, Warren	1
Bunker, Frank	1
Charves, Florence	2
Cawthorn, Arthur	1
DeBettencourt, Joseph	3
DeBettencourt, Frank	1
Eldridge, E. Susie	1
Gardner, Alice	2
Harding, Mary L.	2
Harding, Elizabeth	3
Look, Bertha	1
Landers, Irene V.	3
Noons, John	1
Nunes, John	1
Stratton, Elsie	2
Swift, Mary	1

Graduation Exercises, High School.

PART I.

Piano Solo,	Mrs. Benjamin C. Davis
Invocation,	Rev. R. M. Wilkins
Address of Welcome,	Arthur F. Wade
Oration, "Misfits,"	Clarence M. Smith
Declamation, "March of Improvement,"	Byron P. Luce
Oration, "Nothing Won by Waiting,"	Walter C. Ripley

PART II.

Duet, "The Lily and the Rose,"	
Misses Eldridge and Gallegher.	
Declamation, "Influence of Society,"	William W. Harding
Oration, "Pursuits Become Habits,"	Fay L. Bunker
Recitation, "Arnold Winkelried,"	Isabelle M. Toye
Essay, "Expansion,"	Annie L. Harding
Presentation of Diplomas.	

Graduation Exercises, Grammar School.

GRADE IX.

Singing, "June, O Lovely Month of Roses,"	School
"Leak in the Dike,"	Grace Bunker
"Sheridan's Ride,"	Florence Charves
"Perry Fire,"	Charles W. Bunker
Singing, "Joyous, Let us ever Be,"	School
"City of Washington,"	Flora Francis
"Newspaper,"	Harry T. Webb
"Our Country,"	Ervin L. Robinson
"The Mother's Fool,"	Harold G. Look
"New Inventions,"	Albert L. Buzzell
"Red Cross Society,"	Lily Givens
Selected Quotations,	School
	Jose Peters
"Daisy Chain,"	Girls
Presentation of Diplomas,	Superintendent of Schools
Address, John T. Prince, Ph. D., Agent of State Board of Education.	

Extracts from Statutes,

CONTROLLING EMPLOYMENT OF CHILDREN, TRUANCY, ETC.

CHAPTER 494.—AN ACT TO REGULATE THE EMPLOYMENT OF LABOR.

SECTION 1. No child under fourteen years of age shall be employed in any factory, workshop or mercantile establishment. No such child shall be employed in any work performed for wages or other compensation, to whomsoever payable, during the hours when the public schools of the town or city in which he resides are in session, nor be employed at any work before the hour of six o'clock in the morning or after the hour of seven o'clock in the evening.

SECT. 6. Whoever employs a child under sixteen years of age, and whoever having under his control a child under such age permits such child to be employed, in violation of section one or two of this act, shall for such offence be fined not more than fifty dollars; and whoever continues to employ any child in violation of either of said sections of this act after being notified by a truant officer or an inspector of factories thereof, shall for every day thereafter that such employment continues be fined not less than five nor more than twenty dollars.

CHAPTER 496.—AN ACT RELATIVE TO SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AND TRUANCY.

SECTION 1. Every town and city shall maintain for at least thirty-two weeks in the year a sufficient number of schools for the instruction of all the children who may legally attend a public school therein.

SECT. 2. Every city and every town of five hundred families or householders according to the latest public census taken by the authority either of the Commonwealth or of the United States shall, and any other town may, maintain a high school, adequately equipped. Such high school shall maintain one or more courses of study, at least four years in length, and shall be kept for the benefit of all the inhabitants of the town or city, forty weeks at least, exclusive of vacations, in each year. A town may if it chooses meet only a portion of the foregoing requirements in its own high school; *provided*, that it shall make adequate provisions for meeting the rest of said requirements in the high school of another town or any city.

SECT. 11. No child who has not been duly vaccinated shall be admitted to a public school except upon presentation of a certificate signed by a regular practising physician that such child is an unfit subject for vaccination. No child who is a member of a household in which a person is sick with smallpox, diphtheria, scarlet fever or measles, or of a household exposed to contagion from a household as aforesaid, shall attend any public school during such sickness or until the teacher of the school has been furnished with a certificate from the board of health of the town or city, or from the attending physician of such sick person, stating in a case of smallpox, diphtheria or scarlet fever, that a period of at least two weeks, and in a case of measles a period of at least three days, has elapsed since the recovery, removal or death of such person, and that danger of the conveying of such disease by such child has passed.

SECT. 12. Every child between seven and fourteen years of age shall attend some public day school in the town or city in which he resides during the entire time the public day schools are in session, subject to such exceptions as to

children, places of attendance and schools as are provided for in sections three, seven, ten and eleven of this act; *provided*, that the superintendent of schools or, where there is no superintendent of schools, the school committee, or teachers acting under authority of said superintendent of schools or school committee, may excuse cases of necessary absence; and *provided, further*, that the attendance of a child upon a public day school shall not be required if such child has attended for a like period of time a private day school approved by the school committee.

SECT. 24. Every habitual truant, that is, every child between seven and fourteen years of age who wilfully and habitually absents himself from school contrary to the provisions of section twelve of this act, upon complaint by a truant officer, and conviction thereof, may be committed, if a boy, to a county truant school for a period not exceeding two years, and if a girl, to the state industrial school for girls, unless such child is placed on probation as provided in section twenty-eight of this act.

SECT. 25. Every habitual absentee, that is, every child between seven and sixteen years of age who may be found wandering about in the streets or public places of any town or city of the Commonwealth, having no lawful occupation, habitually not attending school, and growing up in idleness and ignorance, upon complaint by a truant officer or any other person, and conviction thereof, may be committed, if a boy, at the discretion of the court, to a county truant school for a period not exceeding two years, or to the Lyman school for boys, and, if a girl, to the state industrial school for girls, unless such child is placed on probation as provided in section twenty-eight of this act.

SECT. 26. Every habitual school offender, that is, every child under fourteen years of age who persistently violates

the reasonable regulations of the school which he attends, or otherwise persistently misbehaves therein, so as to render himself a fit subject for exclusion therefrom, upon complaint by a truant officer, and conviction thereof, may be committed, if a boy, at the discretion of the court, to a county truant school for a period not exceeding two years, or to the Lyman school for boys, and, if a girl, to the state industrial school for girls, unless such child is placed on probation as provided in section twenty-eight of this act.

SECT. 31. Any person having under his control a child between seven and fourteen years of age who fails for five day sessions or ten half day sessions within any period of six months while under such control, to cause such child to attend school as required by section twelve of this act, the physical or mental condition of such child not being such as to render his attendance at school harmful or impracticable, upon complaint by a truant officer, and conviction thereof, shall forfeit and pay a fine of not more than twenty dollars. Any person who induces or attempts to induce any child to absent himself unlawfully from school, or employs or harbors while school is in session any child absent unlawfully from school, shall forfeit and pay a fine of not more than fifty dollars.

SECT. 33. The school committee of every town and city shall appoint and fix the compensation of one or more persons to be designated as truant officers, and shall make rules and regulations governing said officers. Truant officers shall not receive fees for their services. The school committees of two or more towns or cities may employ the same truant officer or officers.

EXTRACTS FROM THE RULES OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

I. Truancy and absence from school shall be reported by each teacher to the principal, and by him to the truant offi-

cer not later than thirty minutes after the beginning of each session.

II. The truant officer shall, at once, upon receiving the report of the principal, investigate and report as provided for on the truancy slips. He shall deliver to their respective rooms such children as are found to be absent unlawfully.

III. The truant officer shall prosecute, according to the provisions of the statutes, all cases of unlawful absence from school on the second occurrence of such absence on the part of any child, and upon each succeeding occurrence.

Principal's Report.

To the Superintendent of Schools:

In accordance with your request I have prepared the following report:—

Of the various changes which were mentioned last year many have been accomplished. There are two remaining which I feel deserve notice: the cellar and its condition, the sanitary arrangements of the building. If the town can possibly afford it the cellar should be concreted. The out-buildings are in bad shape, no better than last year, and as they are, become a menace to the good morals of our children, for which reason, if no other, they should be changed. During bad weather the smaller children experience great difficulty in passing from the school building to them. The long needed bell has been furnished us through the generosity of a townsman, also a member of the school committee, Mr. Horatio N. Pease. Its good effect and value have already been shown.

The changes in grading have been effected with good results; a higher standard is being demanded and maintained, the discipline has been greatly altered for the better, all these results coming from the hearty co-operation of all the teach-

ers. Another and very important result is that those children who formerly left school at the fifth year, are now in school in the sixth year, and give promise of remaining the seventh, and we hope through the Grammar grades.

The post graduate course offered in the High school has been taken by three of last year's graduating class, and are receiving great benefits therefrom. I am of the opinion more yet can be done in that line to make it more practical and better suited to the conditions which the Island demands.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY H. HARRIMAN,

Principal of Schools.

Report on Drawing.

To the Superintendent of Schools:

The work on drawing has certainly advanced during the last year, and one reason for this improvement is the excellent supply of materials, which has facilitated the work greatly. The chief disadvantage now, is the lack of sufficient time, but as no different arrangement of periods seems practicable, the course has to be planned accordingly. It is to be regretted that no additions have been made to school room decoration. While the benefit derived from seeing good pictures, casts, etc., is less tangible than some other advantages, it is none the less beneficial.

Brush work has been added to the course of instruction this year. While outline work is necessary in its place, Nature presents no outlines, and the child first sees thing in masses. This fact he can express more directly with the brush than with the pencil. The first work is done with ink, thus avoiding the added confusion of color until the pupil has gained some freedom in using the brush.

Paint boxes have been provided which contain the three primary colors, red, yellow and blue. From these three pupils learn to make any desired tone. In the earlier stages,

drill is given laying flat washes, then of gradating a color from a tint up, and of shading from one hue to another. Later the effort will be made to reproduce some of Nature's harmonies. Also scope will be given for original color harmonies in connection with decoration.

Some original work is expected of the pupil each year. This creative power *can* be cultivated and is one of the most valuable faculties the individual can have.

In the effort to train and develop the taste of the children of today, it is the taste of the future public that is being elevated. This does not mean giving tastes which can only be gratified by the rich. Beauty of form and harmony of color are obtainable in the inexpensive as well as in the costly; nor is fitness to purpose sacrificed through these additions.

Respectfully submitted,

EUNICE F. FAULKNER.

Report of Instructor of Music.

To the Superintendent of Public Schools:

I submit to you my annual report as teacher of music in the public schools of Cottage City.

The work done during the year has been very good, more especially in the lower grades. The children and teachers seemed interested in the work, when this is the case greater advancement is made. In Miss Copeland's room they have songs to relieve the monotony of their exercises, and sing them very nicely, having but little trouble in reading at sight.

HATTIE L. SHUTE,
Teacher of Music.

Report of Committee.

The Committee adopt the report of the Superintendent as a whole, but would emphasize that part which relates to truancy and absenteeism. We present the following statistics, which do not include the cranberry season: The increase in average membership is 5.2 per cent.; in average attendance, 9.8 per cent.; in tardiness, 37.9 per cent.; in days absence, 36.2 per cent.; number who have been absent more than five days or ten half days and reported at home, or sick without a physician's certificate, 65.

This unreasonable and alarming record, especially of absences, is without doubt mostly due to the indifference of parents, who do not properly appreciate the education of their children or their educational privileges. Unfortunately these delinquents are not the only or greatest sufferers. There is a roll of honor who are never absent and never tardy, and the consequences fall heavily upon them. When one-third, or even one-fourth of a class, are absent, the loyal members cannot go on and leave them in the rear, but must fall back for the laggard members to come up.

Shutting our eyes does not put out fire, and something must be done outside the school to remedy this growing

evil, or we may look in vain for results at all commensurate with the generous outlay of the town for educational purposes. The best supposable management in school cannot save it from disastrous failure without outside support, and the principal external support in sight is an energetic enforcement of the truant and absentee laws, and that means the responsive co-operation of truant officers and court.

We also submit the following financial statement :

RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation,	\$4,200.00	
From State on account of Superintendent of Schools,	312.50	
State school fund,	100.00	
Dog tax,	119.73	
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EXPENDITURES.

Salaries,	\$3,092.16	
Transportation,	170.00	
Fuel,	311.96	
School supplies,	677.72	
Superintendent of Schools,	387.60	
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Unexpended balance,	\$92.79
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SAMUEL Q. RICE,	} School Committee.
J. D. KING,	

CORRECTED FROM PAGE 8.

TEACHERS.	POSITION.	GRADES.	PUPILS IN GRADE	ROOM.
Henry Harriman,	Principal of Schools,	High and IX.,	6	2
Elizabeth Norman,	High Assistant,	High,	12	1
Emma L. Benson,	Grammar Assistant,	VII. and VIII.,	10 and 9	4
Alleetta Mills,	Grammar Assistant,	V. and VI.,	16 and 25	3
May Copeland,	Third Primary,	III. and IV.,	17 and 14	5
Edith Ames,	Second Primary,	II.,	23	7
Helen Norton,	First Primary,	I.,	42	8

SPECIAL TEACHERS.

Hattie Shute, Music.
Eunice F. Faulkner, Drawing.

Names of Scholars Enrolled.

Alley, Antone
Alley, Charles
Alley, Domingo
Alley, Fannie
Alley, George
Alley, John
Alley, Joseph
Andrade, Adalena
Andrade, Edith
Andrade, Joseph
Anderson, Augustus
Andrews, Margaret
Applebee, Florence

Baptiste, Manuel
Baptiste, Rosa
Baptiste, Willie
Barney, Ethel L.
Bernardo, George
Bernardo, John
Bernardo, Manuel
Bernardo, Mary
Bernardo, Virginia
Besse, Bertha E.
Besse, Charles R.
Besse, Walter L.
Blankenship, Frank F.
Bordess, Manuel
Bordess, Mary
Bowman, Gertrude I.
Bowman, Warren F.

Bunker, Charles W.
Bunker, Frank C.
Bunker, Eva
Bunker, Grace M.
Butler, Edward
Butler, Julia
Burgess, Aurora
Buzzell, Albert L.

Cawthorn, Arthur
Chandler, Harry L.
Chandler, Lester J.
Chandler, Mary L.
Chase, Harold W.
Charves, Florence P.
Collynes, Clifton
Cordoza, James
Cordoza, James
Cordoza, Mamie
Cordoza, Mary
Cordoza, Sarah
Correia, Frank
Correia, Mary
Custodio, Annie
Custodio, Louisa
Custodio, Mary C.

De Bettencourt, Frank S.
De Bettencourt, Joseph S.
De Bettencourt, Mary S.
De Bettencourt, Manuel S.

Doerffler, Alfred M.
 Doerffler, Herbert
 Doerffler, Willie
 Dow, Earle
 Doyle, William M.
 Duart, Edward
 Duart, Joseph
 Duart, Mamie
 Duart, Mary
 10 Dyer, Russel
 Eddy, Bertha L.
 Eldridge, Susie E.
 Enos, Joseph A.
 Enos, Manuel
 Fereira, Manuel
 Fereira, Mary
 Francis, Flora
 Gallegher, Josephine
 Gardner, Alice
 Gaskin, Willie
 Gebo, Manuel
 Gebo, Manuel
 Geldard, Arthur
 Gonzaloes, Manuel
 8 Greene, Gladdys
 Hamblin, Olive D.
 7 Harding, Elizabeth D.
 Harding, Mary L.
 Harding, William W.
 Heals, George W.
 Healis, Richard
 Hunting, Hazel
 Joseph, Bella
 Joseph, Ethel
 Joseph, Isabella
 Joseph, John
 Joseph, Mary
 Landers, Irene V.
 Look, Bertha F.
 Look, Harold G.
 10 Look, Laura R.
 Look, Russell

Lovett, James
 Luce, Byron
 5 Lynch, Fenimore
 Manese, Emily
 Manese, Emma
 Manese, Mary
 Manese, Nellie
 Marchant, Arthur L.
 Marchant, Walter H.
 Martin, Joseph
 Martin, Mamie
 Matthews, Frank O.
 Mayhew, Linton
 Mayhew, Zenas D.
 McGrath, Anna
 McGrath, Mary
 Medeiros, Anthony
 Medeiros, Frank
 Medeiros, John
 Medeiros, Maggie
 Medeiros, Manual
 Menard, John
 Menard, Mary
 Metell, Alfred
 Metell, Manuel
 2 3 Metell, Mary
 Nickerson, Horace S.
 Norton, Alice
 Norton, Alice G.
 Norton, Edna S.
 Norton, Franklin H.
 Norton, Lavina
 Nunes, Bella
 Nunes, Isabella
 Nunes, Joseph
 Nunes, John
 Nunes, Mary
 2 Nunes, Rosa
 Pachico, Domingo
 Pachico, Fanny
 Pachico, Fanny
 4 Pachico, Joseph

Pachico, Joseph
 Pachico, Mary
 Pachico, Mary
 Pachico, Manuel
 Pachico, Manuel
 Pease, Albert C.
 Pease, Elva S.
 Pease, Gladys
 Pease, Sadie L.
 Perry, Annie D.
 Perry, Clara J.
 Peters, Chester A.
 Peters, Clarence
 Peters, Fannie
 Peters, Josephine
 Peters, Joseph
 Pidado, Mary
 Pimental, John
 Pimental, John
 Pimental, Joseph
 Pimental, Virginia
 Pratt, Alice
 Pratt, James L.
 Pratt, Norman

Ripley, Hilda E.
 Ripley, Walter C.
 Robinson, Ervin L.
 Rogers, Lewis

Shepard, Basil
 Silvia, Adrian
 Silvia, Albert
 Silvia, Alfred
 Silvia, Antone
 Silvia, Antone
 Silvia, Celia
 Silvia, Edward J.
 Silvia, Fannie
 Silvia, Frank
 Silvia, Frank
 Silvia, John
 Silvia, Joseph
 Silvia, Joseph

Silvia, Julia
 Silvia, Jule
 Silvia, Jule
 Silvia, Juno
 Silvia, Lizzie
 Silvia, Mamie K.
 Silvia, Manuel
 Silvia, Manuel
 Silvia, Mary R.
 Silvia, Mary S.
 Silvia, Mary A.
 Silvia, Rosa
 Silvado, Carrie
 Silvado, Marie
 Silvado, Rose
 Smith, Ernest M.
 Smith, Luella
 Smith, Norman L.
 Smith, Ralph T.
 Snow, Margaret
 Sousa, Alice G.
 Sousa, John H.
 Sousa, Philomena
 Spencer, Lewis
 Stratton, Elsie M.
 Swartz, Jule
 Swift, Mary E.
 Thomas, Lucy
 Vincent, Alida
 Vincent, Annie
 Vincent, Charles M.
 Vincent, Mary J.
 Wade, Earle
 Watson, John
 Webb, Ernest L.
 Webb, William
 Welch, Grace
 Wentworth, Arthur
 Wentworth, Eddie
 Wentworth, Willis
 West, Lillie
 Wormbly, Ambler

TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL
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—OF THE—

Town of Cottage City,

—FOR THE—

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1901.

INCLUDING REPORTS OF THE TOWN CLERK,
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OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, FINANCE COM-
MITTEE, PARK COMMISSIONERS, ROAD COM-
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Auditor's Certificate.

To the Taxpayers of Cottage City:—

I herewith submit the Twenty-first Annual Report of the finances of the Town of Cottage City. I have carefully examined the books of the Selectmen and Treasurer and hereby certify the same to have been correctly kept, with vouchers for all orders drawn and payments made.

Appended are reports of Town Clerk, Health Officers, Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, Finance Committee, Park Commissioners, Road Commissioners, and School Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT L. NORTON, Auditor.

Town Officers.

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS, AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

THOMAS D. CROWELL,
EDMUND G. ELDRIDGE,
ELMER E. LANDERS.

CLERK.

FRANCIS P. VINCENT.

TREASURER.

ZENAS D. LINTON.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

FRANCIS P. VINCENT.

AUDITOR.

HERBERT L. NORTON.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

GEORGE W. MASON,
HORATIO N. PEASE,
SAMUEL Q. RICE.

HEALTH OFFICERS.

CHARLES W. NORTON,
JOB H. GORHAM,
GEORGE P. BRIGGS.

BOARD OF ENGINEERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT.

EDWARD R. SMITH,
LEWIS BARTLETT,
HORATIO N. PEASE,
EZEKIEL H. MATTHEWS,
FRANCIS P. VINCENT.

ROAD COMMISSIONERS.

JAMES A. PRATT,
ELIJAH G. MILLS,
FRANK P. BUNKER,

PARK COMMISSIONERS.

JOHN W. McGRATH,
JOHN E. SANDIFORD,
FREEMAN R. COTTLE.

Valuation, May 1st, 1900.

Resident personal property,	\$79,050.00
Non-resident personal property,	12,625.00
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Total personal estate,	\$91,675.00
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Resident real estate,	\$561,200.00
Non-resident real estate,	1,026,000.00
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Total real estate,	\$1,587,200.00
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Total valuation,	\$1,678,875.00
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Total resident valuation,	\$640,250.00
Total non-resident valuation,	1,038,625.00
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Total valuation,	\$1,678,875.00
Rate of taxation, \$17.40 per \$1,000.00.	
Tax on personal property,	\$1,595.14
Tax on real estate,	27,617.28
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Total property tax,	\$29,212.42
Tax on 292 polls,	584.00
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Total tax assessed May 1st, 1900,	\$29,796.42

State tax assessed,	\$840.00
County tax assessed,	3,382.55
Town tax assessed,	25,497.00
Overlayings,	76.87

Total tax assessed May 1st, 1900, \$29,796.42

Tax bills delivered to Francis P. Vincent, Collector,
August 1st, 1900.

The following items of information are taken from the Assessors' books for 1900 :—

Number of horses,	128
“ cows,	113
“ dwelling houses,	1,106
“ acres of land assessed,	3,423
“ taxpayers,	1,514
“ persons paying poll tax only,	106
“ persons paying tax on property,	1,408

Town Property.

The following is a schedule of town property as furnished by the Selectmen :—

School buildings and land.	\$14,000.00
Other buildings and furnishings,	3,650.00
One lot on Pequot Avenue,	300.00
Vault,	800.00

FIRE APPARATUS.

Hose house and lot, (Highlands,)	750.00
Hose house,	200.00
One Steam fire engine,	2,800.00
Two hose carts,	250.00
Two wagons, hose and fixtures,	700.00
Hose and pipes,	2,000.00
Two chemical engines,	800.00
One hook and ladder truck,	100.00
Fire alarm,	1,000.00
Land at cemetery,	800.00
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	28,150.00

Exempted Property.

Baptist church and land,	\$2,200.00
Baptist Association, Temple and land,	2,000.00
“ “ office and land.	2,500.00
Baptist Society, parsonage and land,	1,500.00
Catholic church and land,	1,000.00
Episcopal Society, church and land,	4,000.00
Methodist Church, church,	3,000.00
Methodist Church, chapel,	1,500.00
Methodist Society, parsonage and land,	2,000.00
Martha's Vineyard Camp Meeting Association, Tabernacle, office and land,	26,000.00
Martha's Vineyard Summer Institute, Agassiz Hall,	4,000.00
Martha's Vineyard Association, band stand,	1,000.00
Union Chapel Association, chapel and land,	6,000.00
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	\$56,700.00

Appropriations for 1900.

Schools and transportation of scholars,	\$3,400.00	
School expenses,	500.00	
Superintendent of schools,	200.00	\$4,100.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Engineer, Steamer No. 1,	150.00	
Steward, Steamer House and Town Hall,	150.00	
Steward, Hydrant Hose House, and care of Chemical,	35.00	
Steward, Chemical House No. 2,	25.00	
Steward, Highland Hose House,	25.00	
Firemen,	395.00	
Contingent expenses of fire department,	300.00	
Clerk, Board of Engineers,	20.00	
Fuel and lights, fire department,	200.00	
Care of fire alarm battery,	75.00	
Fireman, Steamer No. 1,	15.00	
Superintendent of fire alarm.	25.00	1,415.00
Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor,		100.00
Assessors,		300.00
Treasurer,		100.00
School Committee,		75.00
Town Clerk,		40.00
Collector of Taxes, salary for 1897,		300.00
Board of Health,		75.00

Auditor,	\$25.00
Police,	500.00
Night Watchman,	450.00
Watch in tower, nine months, and rent of tower,	385.00
Sweeping streets,	200.00
Repairs of concrete,	800.00
Repairs of dirt roads,	200.00
Bulkheads and bridges,	200.00
Lighting streets,	3,500.00
Public Library,	150.00
Public parks,	500.00
Memorial Day,	25.00
Town debt and interest,	6,000.00
Support of poor,	1,200.00
Collection of swill and garbage,	200.00
Health expenses,	100.00
Hydrant rental, 51 hydrants,	2,040.00
Amusement fund,	500.00
Incidentals,	1,000.00
New fire alarm box,	65.00
Repairs to out-houses, etc., at school-house,	50.00
T. D. Crowell, bill for concrete laid in 1893,	197.00
Extension of concrete on School street to cemetery line,	200.00
Repairs of Lagoon bridge,	500.00
Otis Foss, services as Moderator,	5.00

Total appropriations assessed May 1, 1900, \$25,497.00

Expenditures.

Salaries of Town Officers.

SELECTMEN AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Thomas D. Crowell, services, (Chairman)	\$50.00
Edmund G. Eldridge, “	25.00
Elmer E. Landers, “	25.00
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	\$100.00

ASSESSORS.

Thomas D. Crowell, services,	\$100.00
Edmund G. Eldridge, “	100.00
Elmer E. Landers, “	100.00
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	\$300.00

CLERK.

Francis P. Vincent, services,	\$40.00
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TREASURER.

Zenas D. Linton, services,	\$100.00
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COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

Zenas D. Linton, services, 1897,	\$300.00
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AUDITOR.

Herbert L. Norton, services,	\$25.00
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SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

George W. Mason, services,	\$25.00
Horatio N. Pease, “	25.00
Samuel Q. Rice, “	25.00
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	\$75.00

HEALTH OFFICERS.

Charles W. Norton, services,	\$25.00
Job H. Gotham, “	25.00
George P. Briggs, “	25.00
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	\$75.00

MODERATOR.

Otis Foss, services 1899-1900,	\$10.00
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Superintendent of Schools.

Clifton A. Snell, salary as Superintendent of Schools, March 10th to July 10th, 1900,	\$129.10
Andrew P. Averill, salary, July 10th, 1900, to Feb. 10th, 1901,	226.10
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	\$355.20

Schools and Transportation of Scholars.

Henry H. Harriman, salary as principal, 8 1-2 months at \$75 per month,	\$637.50
Elizabeth H. Norman, salary seven months and three weeks at \$50 per month,	387.50
Harriette D. Royal, salary eight months and one week at \$40 per month,	330.00
May Copeland, salary three months and one week at \$40 per month,	130.00
Lucy E. Loring, salary eight months and one week at \$40 per month,	330.00

Edith Ames, salary five months and one week at \$40 per month,	\$210.00
Salary in Grade II. seven weeks, and sub- stituting three days,	49.75
Stella M. Moulton, salary five months and one week at \$30 per month,	157.50
Margaret Rand, salary five months and one week at \$30 per month,	157.50
Emma L. Benson, services as teacher,	10.00
Helen Norton, salary three months and one week at \$30 per month,	97.50
Ethel M. Pease, teaching Primary grade,	32.50
Dean S. Luce, teaching High school,	14.00
E. F. Faulkner, salary as teacher of drawing,	40.00
Hattie L. Shute, salary as teacher of music,	21.66
Daniel Currier, services as janitor, 14 weeks at \$9 per week,	126.00
Fréd W. Smith, services as janitor, 21 weeks at \$9 per week,	189.00
Daniel Currier, labor,	10.00
David J. Barney, coal and wood,	178.70
H. L. Norton & Co., coal,	190.78
Emma Norton, transportation of scholars, 23 weeks at \$5 per week,	115.00
Fourteen weeks at \$7 per week,	98.00
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	\$3,512.89

School Expenses.

Ginn & Co. books,	\$19.62
Silver, Burdett & Co., books, cards, etc.,	42.66
Edward E. Babb, books and scissors,	17.50
L. E. Knott Co., chemicals, etc.,	1.15
Hattie L. Shute, music,	3.43

Houghton, Mifflin & Co., supplies,	\$1.50
F. S. Brightman, books, ink, stamps, etc.,	57.44
Hinds & Noble, books,	7.24
American Book Co., books,	15.48
Clifton A. Snell, expenses to Boston, and telegrams,	8.51
J. L. Hammett & Co., books, slates, etc.,	14.95
D. C. Heath & Co., pens, cards, etc.,	10.77
George O. Hutchinson, repairing clock,	.50
Everett Joy, glass, etc.,	5.00
David J. Barney, nails, etc.,	.33
Cottage City Water Co., water,	21.00
Alexander De Longo, use of piano,	15.00
Landers & Doane, report cards and supplies,	17.78
Hatch & Co., express,	1.40
C. F. James, carting,	.45
Charles L. Scranton, envelopes,	2.24
Driscoll, Church & Hall, sash cords,	1.88
Charles Strahan, printing notices, etc.,	10.95
H. L. Currier, labor,	5.80
S. S. Hicks, paper,	.90
Henry H. Rice, cord, etc.,	4.75
Fred W. Smith, labor,	14.25
C. A. Snell, use of team,	1.00
Cottage City Gas Co., gas at Union Chapel,	2.20
Charles F. Wing, matting,	38.10
Landers & Doane, printing,	6.50
Fred W. Smith, supplies,	1.95
W. F. Willard, labor,	1.00
S. Q. Rice, labor, express, etc.,	4.10
E. H. Matthews, labor and nails,	2.43
Edward E. Silvey, labor,	2.60
Perry Picture Co., supplies,	.53
Joseph Dias, supplies,	.45

C. D. West, use of team,	\$1.00
Antone Andrews, printing,	.75
George W. Mason, express. cartage, etc.,	1.59
William Norton, Jr., repairing,	.60
Prang Educational Co., paper folding,	.23
John L. Mayhew, supplies,	4.24
W. D. Harding, supplies,	3.45
Charles Strahan, printing programs,	17.00
Ziegler Co., coil and tubes,	6.00
Joseph Dixon Co., pencils,	4.50
Fred W. Smith, taking school census,	5.00
Supplies,	2.45
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	\$410.15

Fire Department.

FIREMEN.

Steamer Co. No. 1, services of 13 men 6 months,	\$32.50
Services of 14 men 6 months,	35.00
Hydrant Hose Co., services of 17 men 6 months,	42.50
Services of 18 men 6 months,	45.00
Hook and Ladder Co., services of 9 men 6 months,	22.50
Services of 10 men 6 months,	25.00
Chemical Contest Co. No. 2, services of 12 men one year,	60.00
Highland Hose Co. No. 2, services of 14 men 6 months,	35.00
Services of 1 man 4 months,	1.67
Services of men,	33.33
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	\$332.50

ENGINEER STEAMER NO. 1.

Joseph F. Tripp, services one month,	\$12.50
Samuel E. McDonald, services one year,	150.00
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	\$162.50

FIREMAN STEAMER NO. 1.

Frank C. Tripp, services six months,	\$7.50
Daniel Bradley, services six months,	7.50
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	\$15.00

STEWARD STEAMER HOUSE AND TOWN HALL.

Everett Joy, services one year,	\$150.00
Joseph F. Tripp, services one month,	12.50
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	\$162.50

STEWARD HYDRANT HOSE HOUSE.

Louis Sackett, services eleven months,	\$32.08
LaRoy S. Lewis, services one month,	2.90
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	\$34.98

STEWARD HIGHLAND HOSE HOUSE.

Sylvanus S. Carter, services one year,	\$25.00
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STEWARD CHEMICAL NO. 2 HOUSE.

John L. Mayhew, services one year,	\$25.00
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CLERK, BOARD OF ENGINEERS.

Francis P. Vincent, services one year,	\$20.00
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SUPERINTENDENT OF FIRE ALARM.

Francis P. Vincent, services one year,	\$25.00
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CARE OF FIRE ALARM BATTERY.

Everett Joy, services,	\$75.00
Joseph F. Tripp, services,	12.50
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	\$87.50

FUEL AND LIGHTS.

Cottage City Gas Co., gas and fixtures at Steam-	
er House and Hydrant Hose House,	\$110.75
David J. Barney, coal and wood,	35.35
H. L. Norton & Co., coal,	24.25
George L. Marchant, wood,	3.00
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	\$173.35

CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

S. F. Hayward & Co., acid jars,	\$40.00
A. W. Chesterton & Co., waste, etc.,	2.65
George M. Stevens, battery jars,	3.20
W. A. Norton, hauling steamer to fire,	5.00
John F. Randolph, labor at Mills' fire,	2.50
Charles K. Cole, labor on fire alarm,	15.40
J. C. Nicholson, team to brush fire,	.50
Joseph M. Cordosa, watching fire,	1.00
Sylvester J. Lee, labor on hook and ladder	
wagon,	.30
Ernest Pease, hauling hose wagon to fire,	6.00
H. C. Gilkes, labor at Mills' fire,	3.63
James Casey, hauling hose reel from fire,	1.50
Charles K. Cole, labor on fire alarm,	16.67
D. M. Bradley, labor on fire alarm,	5.77
E. H. Matthews, labor and stock,	39.79
George M. Stevens, blue vitriol,	42.13
A. W. Chesterton & Co., waste,	2.50

Cottage City Gas Co., gas stove for fire alarm room,	\$2.75
H. B. Leonard & Co., brilliant,	2.00
George Hutchinson, repairing clock,	1.00
Charles K. Cole, labor,	4.78
John Rose, labor at Mills' fire,	1.13
George M. Stevens, labor on fire alarm box,	2.05
Fred W. Smith, trial of engine, twice,	4.25
Joseph Rose, labor at Mills' fire,	1.13
N. D. Webb, hauling hose wagon to fires,	6.00
George M. Stevens, blue vitriol, zines and jars,	47.59
Fred W. Smith, trial of Steamer,	3.50
A. L. Nichols, supplies,	.90
A. L. Nichols, curtains, etc.,	3.40
Abbie D. Vedder, rent of room for hose carriage,	12.00
H. B. Leonard, brilliant,	4.00
Cottage City Water Co., water,	24.00
Vincent Bros., hauling apparatus to fire,	3.00
Charles F. Vincent, carting poles,	.75
Cottage City Gas Co., labor and materials testing Steamer,	3.00
Fred W. Smith, trial of engine, May and June,	3.00
N. B., M. V. & N. Steamboat Co., freight on engine,	15.00
E. R. Smith, services on fire alarm,	1.00
W. A. Norton, use of teams,	4.00
N. D. Webb, hauling hose wagon to fire,	4.00
E. R. Smith, hauling Steamer to gas house and boat,	3.00
J. A. Pratt, hauling Steamer to fire,	5.00
George M. Stevens, battery jars, coppers, etc.,	14.94
Frank D. Tripp, supplies,	1.15
E. S. Bowman, wrench, chisels, etc.,	2.15

C. F. James, hauling hook and ladder to fires,	\$9.00
S. J. Lee, labor on hook and ladder truck,	.35
F. P. Vincent, freight, carting and express,	4.82
Everett Joy, sperm oil, etc.,	1.65
C. E. Taylor, hauling hose wagon,	3.00
Wm. Norton, Jr., brackets, screws, etc.,	2.65
A. L. Nichols, chairs and curtains,	1.45
J. A. Pratt, team for firemen,	3.00
George L. Marchant, hauling hose wagon to fire,	3.00
N. D. Webb, hauling apparatus to fire,	3.00
J. J. Cawthorn, chemicals,	2.00
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	\$402.93

Repairs of Steamer.

Babbitt, Wood & Co., labor and stock,	\$151.00
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New Fire Alarm Box.

George M. Stevens, one alarm box, wire, etc.,	\$58.74
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State Aid.

William W. Smith,	\$72.00
John Spaulding,	72.00
David Benson,	48.00
Joseph Besse,	44.00
Aaron Raymond,	40.00
James Casey,	48.00
Mary J. Leighton,	48.00
Mary A. Edson,	48.00
Elizabeth Smith,	48.00
Antoinette J. Dalton,	40.00

Margaret Luther,	\$48.00
Serena E. Smith,	48.00
Lucy A. Howland,	4.00
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	\$608.00

Concrete Bill, Ocean Park.

Thomas D. Crowell, payment of concrete bill as per vote annual meeting,	\$197.00
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Night Watchman.

LaRoy S. Lewis, services from March 1st, 1900, to March 1st, 1901,	\$450.00
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Police.

Hatch & Co., rent of rooms,	\$50.00
Jason L. Dexter, services as Chief of Police from July 1st to Sept. 9th, 1900,	231.75
Eli A. Leighton, services as police officer from July 10th to Sept. 9th, 1900,	124.00
Services 37 days,	37.00
Six nights police duty,	6.00
Cottage City Gas Co., gas used July, August and September,	19.20
Samuel P. Huxford, watching night July 3d,	2.00
David J. Barney, " " "	2.00
Samuel McDonald, " " "	2.00
John Sandiford, " " "	2.00
Samuel Q. Rice, " " "	2.00
Freeman R. Cottle, " " "	2.00
John W. McGrath, " " "	2.00
Thomas A. McGrath, " " "	2.00
John B. Chandler, " " "	2.00

Benjamin Pease,	watching night July 3d,	\$2.00
George Briggs,	“ “ “	2.00
George Marchant,	“ “ “	2.00
Herbert A. Eddy,	“ “ “	2.00
George W. Bowker,	“ “ “	2.00
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		\$495.95

Health Expenses

Charles Strahan, printing and advertising,	\$26.50
W. S. Jernegan, professional services,	1.00
Henry H. Rice, lumber,	16.78
Robert D. Robinson, paint,	.98
Charles F. James, labor,	5.00
Manuel Cordosa, labor,	10.50
John L. Mayhew, rake,	.35
Manuel S. De Bettencourt, labor at dumping ground,	13.50
Manuel Baptiste, labor,	1.50
Edward Bendavid, labor on Lake Anthony,	3.00
Adrian Silvia, labor,	4.50
S. S. Hicks, lettering signs,	2.50
Charles W. Norton, labor,	23.75
Manuel Gonzalves, labor,	3.00
Charles W. Norton, labor,	19.00
John W. McGrath, labor,	27.00
Anton Bostika, labor,	4.50
George P. Briggs, rent of office,	15.00
Labor and stock,	15.96
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	\$194.32

Watch in Tower.

John B. Chandler, services nine months at \$40. per month,	\$360.00
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Rent of Tower.

Eugene Hayden, rent of tower from Oct. 1st, 1899, to June 30th, 1900,	\$25.00
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Amusement Fund.

J. Gardner Bassett, subscription to Band from Amusement Fund, 1900,	\$500.00
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Memorial Day.

George W. Mason, amount of appropriation at annual town meeting,	\$25.00
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Public Parks.

Park Commissioners, amount of appropriation at annual town meeting,	\$500.00
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Hydrants.

Cottage City Water Co., for rental of 51 hy- drants from November 15th, 1899, to November 15, 1900,	\$2,040.00
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Public Library.

PHEBE A. NORTON, TREASURER.

Rent of room,	\$40.00
Insurance on books,	12.00
Fuel and lights,	7.00
Librarian,	41.00
Books and periodicals,	50.00
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	\$150.00

Collection of Swill and Garbage.

Joseph Banardo, collecting swill and garbage for season of 1900,	\$235.00
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Extension Concrete, School Street.

Road Commissioners, amount of appropriation at
annual town meeting, \$200.00

NOTE.—See Road Commissioners' report for items.

Sweeping Streets.

Road Commissioners, amount of appropriation at
annual town meeting, \$200.00

NOTE.—See Road Commissioners' report for items.

Bulkheads and Bridges.

Road Commissioners, amount of appropriation at
annual town meeting, \$200.00

NOTE.—See Road Commissioners' report for items.

Repairs of Roads.

Road Commissioners, amount of appropriation at
annual town meeting, \$200.00

NOTE.—See Road Commissioners' report for items.

Repairs of Lagoon Bridge.

Road Commissioners, amount of appropriation at
annual town meeting, \$500.00

NOTE.—See Road Commissioners' report for items.

Repairs of Concrete.

Road Commissioners, amount of appropriation at
annual town meeting, \$800.00

Joseph M. Cordosa, labor, 6.00

Adrian Silvia, " 15.00

Manuel Cordosa, " 3.00

J. Mason Mills, " 6.00

Manuel Pixoto, " 6.84

Manuel Rose, " 12.84

James Menese,	labor,	\$14.34
James A. Pratt,	"	24.50
Frank Banardo,	"	8.34
J. Mason Mills,	"	12.00
Henry Corey,	"	12.84
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		\$921.70

Lighting Streets.

Cottage City Gas and Electric Light Co., elec- tric lights as per contract,	\$2,500.00
Electric lights on Atlantic avenue,	75.00
Electric light, Niantic park,	25.00
Construction of line, Niantic park,	12.50
Fitting lamp post, Joy's avenue.	1.50
Street lights (gas)	706.55
La Roy S. Lewis, care of lights 9 months, at \$12 per month,	108.00
Care of lights, June 1st to Sept. 1st, 1900,	122.00
Painting lanterns and posts,	10.00
Horatio N. Pease, oil and matches,	26.32
oil, brooms, etc.,	9.67
Vincent Bros., oil,	13.78
Linton, Worth & Co., oil,	13.40
Everett Joy, setting glass in lanterns,	1.80
William H. Davis, setting glass in lanterns,	5.97
H. L. Norton & Co., oil,	5.75
John L. Mayhew & Co., oil and matches,	7.83
John L. Mayhew, repairing lanterns,	37.13
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	\$3,682.20

Support of Poor.

Medfield Insane Asylum, board of Thomas H. Norton,	\$146.00
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Westboro Insane Hospital, board of Anna F. Watson,	\$169.46
Mary E. Rowe, board of children,	150.00
M. S. De Bettencourt, house rent, Mary Rowe,	40.00
wood, Mary Rowe,	3.00
E. L. Merry, board of Fannie W. Norton,	192.00
William H. Handy, care of Joseph Lang,	23.75
John Watson, room rent of Joseph Lang,	14.00
J. William Smith, care of Joseph Lang,	35.00
Mrs. Cooper, washing, Joseph Lang,	1.25
J. William Smith, care of Joseph Lang,	95.00
Margaret Gough, care of Joseph Lang,	200.00
Look Washburn & Co., supplies to Joseph Lang,	1.60
supplies to Mrs. Watson,	2.00
supplies to Susan Dix,	15.25
supplies to E. L. Fisher,	2.01
supplies to S. J. Lee,	10.96
Lucy Grey, supplies to Marianna Ripley,	63.94
E. A. Leighton, conveying Albert Smith to hospital,	7.85
J. G. Norton, supplies, Joseph Lang,	7.35
supplies, Antone Andrada,	1.00
David J. Barney, wood and coal, Marianna Ripley,	18.26
wood and coal, Susan Dix,	8.26
wood and coal, Mrs. Watson,	8.92
wood and coal, Mary Rowe,	5.32
wood and coal, S. J. Lee,	8.76
wood and coal, Susan Dix,	.18
wood and coal, Mrs. Watson,	3.63
John L. Mayhew & Co., supplies, Susan Dix,	10.79
repairing stove, Susan Dix,	5.55
repairing stove, Mrs. Silva,	3.81
City of New Bedford, supplies to John Mederios Star,	10.00

City of Taunton, supplies to Louisa Pimental,	\$1.50
H. L. Norton & Co., supplies, Mary Rowe,	21.45
supplies, Marianna Ripley,	1.50
supplies, Albert Smith,	1.75
supplies, Mrs. Charlie Silvia,	3.50
supplies, Edith Fisher,	8.50
supplies, Susan Dix,	1.90
Martha's Vineyard Camp Meeting Association,	
land lease, Silas Dix,	12.00
land lease, Marianna Ripley,	42.00
Vincent Bros., supplies to Mrs. Charlie Silvia,	5.31
Arthur Smith, stock and labor, Susan Dix,	1.00
H. N. Pease, supplies, Susan Dix,	3.69
supplies, Marianna Ripley,	23.38
supplies, Edith L. Fisher,	5.00
N. D. Webb, use of team,	1.50
Vincent Bros., supplies to Mrs. Charlie Silvia,	10.16
W. S. Jernegan, medical attendance, Mrs. Char-	
lie Silvia,	3.75
medical attendance, Philip Wentworth,	2.25
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	\$1,415.04

Incidentals.

Charles Strahan, 450 annual town reports,	\$102.00
extra table work,	9.00
official ballots,	10.00
printing warrants, notices, etc.,	53.75
Landers & Doane, printing postals, tax bills, etc.,	17.00
printing warrant, voting lists and postals,	19.25
L. C. Wimpennuey, making abstract of convey-	
ances for assessors, 1899-1900,	12.00

John H. Crowell, surveying and making plan of road, Commercial to Atlantic avenue,	\$17.87
B. T. Hillman, services as attorney,	10.00
LaRoy S. Lewis, services as janitor of select- men's room,	15.00
William M. Butler, services as town counsel,	25.00
Thomas D. Crowell, services election day,	2.50
militia roll and dog census.	2.50
registrar of voters,	5.00
express.	.50
Edmund G. Eldridge, services election day,	2.50
militia roll and dog census,	2.50
registrar of voters,	5.00
Elmer E. Landers, services election day,	2.50
militia roll and dog census.	2.50
registrar of voters,	5.00
postage,	.54
Zenas D. Linton, expense of tax sale,	23.00
Francis P. Vincent, services as clerk board of registrars,	10.00
services State election,	2.50
services town clerks' meeting,	2.50
Robert D. Robinson, painting Hydrant Hose House,	55.00
David J. Barney, wood and coal, selectmen's room,	11.49
F. S. Brightman, book for selectmen,	9.25
Charles L. Scranton, envelopes, stamps and pos- tal cards,	21.20

Francis P. Vincent, recording births, marriages and deaths, 1900,	\$14.90
balance for recording births, marriages and deaths, 1899,	2.60
express, stamps, etc.,	7.55
Mary A. Russell, supplies,	2.50
A. R. Norton, use of team,	3.00
George A. Burgess, services as ballot clerk,	2.50
Herbert A. Eddy, services as ballot clerk,	2.50
C. A. Church, services as town clerk, pro tem.,	2.50
David J. Barney, hardware,	1.66
Everett Joy, setting glass,	1.50
L. S. Lewis, posting warrant, and officer of the day,	4.00
Henry Shaw, book,	2.00
L. S. Lewis, posting warrant,	1.50
George A. Burgess, services election day,	2.50
Zenas D. Linton, stamps and stationery,	19.36
Hiram Crowell, expenses, case of Arthur French,	2.70
L. S. Lewis, labor,	2.40
Baptist Vineyard Association, advertising,	8.00
Cottage City Gas & Electric Light Co., gas at Town Hall and selectmen's office,	12.10
E. G. Eldridge, perambulating town lines,	3.00
T. D. Crowell, " " "	3.00
E. E. Landers, " " "	3.00
Carter Ink Co., supplies,	1.25
L. S. Lewis, posting warrant, and officer of the day,	4.00
E. G. Beetle, services election day,	2.50

T. D. Crowell, stamps,	\$1.00
George A. Burgess, labor and stock, Hydrant	
Hose house,	13.32
W. A. Norton, use of team,	1.50
H. L. Norton & Co., coal and wood, selectmen's	
room,	7.45
Frank D. Tripp, supplies,	6.00
John W. McGrath, removing trees on highway,	4.00
David J. Barney, coal for watch tower,	5.73
Ernest M. Smith, trimming trees on highway,	1.00
Landers & Doane, notices,	7.00
Zenas D. Linton, postal cards, stamps and sta-	
tionery,	21.00
W. A. Norton, team for town clerk,	1.50
J. L. Mayhew, repairing overflow, Sunset Lake,	2.50
labor and supplies,	3.28
E. R. Smith, services election day,	2.50
F. S. Brightman, blank books for assessors,	16.50
A. R. Norton, use of team for selectmen,	3.00
Job H. Gorham, reporting deaths,	4.00
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	\$670.65

Amount of Orders Drawn

BY THE SELECTMEN, 1900-1901.

Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor,	\$100.00
Assessors,	300.00
Town Clerk,	40.00
Treasurer,	100.00
Collector of Taxes, salary for 1897,	300.00
Auditor,	25.00
School Committee,	75.00
Board of Health,	75.00
Moderator,	10.00
Superintendent of Schools,	355.20
Schools, and transportation of scholars,	3,512.89
School expenses,	410.15
Firemen,	332.50
Engineer, Steamer No. 1,	162.50
Fireman, Steamer No. 1,	15.00
Steward, Steamer House and Town Hall,	162.50
Steward, Hydrant Hose House,	34.98
Steward, Highland Hose House,	25.00
Steward, Chemical No. 2 House,	25.00
Clerk, Board of Engineers,	20.00
Superintendent of fire alarm,	25.00
Care of fire alarm battery,	87.50
Fuel and lights, fire department,	173.35
Contingent expenses, fire department,	402.93

Repairs of Steamer,	\$151.00
New fire alarm box,	58.74
State Aid,	608.00
Concrete billl, Ocean park,	197.00
Night Watchman,	450.00
Police,	495.95
Health expenses,	194.32
Watch in tower,	360.00
Rent of tower,	25.00
Amusement fund,	500.00
Memorial Day,	25.00
Public parks,	500.00
Hydrant rental,	2,040.00
Public Library,	150.00
Collection of swill and garbage,	235.00
Extension of concrete on School street,	200.00
Sweeping streets,	200.00
Bulkheads and bridges,	200.00
Repairs of dirt roads,	200.00
Repairs of Lagoon bridge,	500.00
Repairs of concrete,	921.70
Lighting streets,	3,682.20
Support of poor,	1,415.04
Incidentals,	670.65
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	\$20,749.10
Orders paid, (see Treasurer's account,)	\$20,261.86
Orders unpaid,	487.24
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	\$20,749.10

List of Jurors.

List of names selected by the Selectmen, to be placed in the jurors' box, from which to draw grand and traverse jurors, to be presented to the town for acceptance at the annual meeting, March 11, 1901.

George T. Bacon, Retired.	David J. Barney, Merchant.
George A. Burgess, Contractor.	Joseph J. Cawthorn, Pharmacist.
Henry C. Chadwick, Clerk.	Manuel R. Charves, Carpenter.
Otis Foss, Merchant.	Clofus L. Gonyon, Ice Dealer
William J. Gough, laborer.	George A. Leaman, Laborer.
Charles T. Luce, Farmer.	Christopher Look, Merchant.
George L. Marchant, Laborer.	George W. Mason, Hotel Keeper.
Joseph L. Mayhew, Clerk.	Samuel E. McDonald, Retired.
John W. McGrath, Florist.	Darius D. Norton, Farmer.
William A. Norton, Stable Keeper	William Norton, Jr , Blacksmith.
Horatio N. Pease, Merchant.	Peter Pease, Laborer.
Alonzo Ripley, Contractor.	William B. Ripley, Carpenter.
John E. Sandiford, Painter.	John F. Silva, Retired.
Arthur C. Smith, Contractor.	Benjamin D. Smith, Contractor.
Franklin D. Tripp, Merchant.	Charles F. Vincent, Teamster.

THOMAS D. CROWELL,	}	Selectmen
EDMUND G. ELDRIDGE,		of
ELMER E. LANDERS,		Cottage City.

Cottage City, February 19, 1901.

RECAPITULATION.

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Unexpended.	Appropriations.	Departments.	Expenditures.	Overdrawn.
	\$100 00	Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor,.....	\$100 00	
	300 00	Assessors,.....	300 00	
	40 00	Town Clerk,	40 00	
	100 00	Treasurer,.....	100 00	
	300 00	Collector of Taxes, 1897,.....	300 00	
	25 00	Auditor,.....	25 00	
	75 00	School Committee,.....	75 00	
	75 00	Board of Health,.....	75 00	
\$157 30	512 50	Superintendent of Schools, including amount from State, Schools and Transportation of Scholars, including School Fund and Dog Tax	355 20	
	3,628 60	School Expenses,	3,512 89	
115 71	500 00	School Expenses,	410 15	
89 85	5 00	Moderator,	10 00	\$5 00
	395 00	Firemen,	332 50	
62 50	150 00	Engineer, Steamer No. 1,.....	162 50	12 50
	15 00	Fireman, Steamer No. 1,.....	15 00	
	150 00	Steward, Steamer House and Town Hall,.....	162 50	12 50
	35 00	Steward, Hydrant Hose House,.....	34 98	
02	25 00	Steward, Chemical House No. 2,.....	25 00	
	25 00	Steward, Highland Hose House,.....	25 00	
	20 00	Clerk, Board of Engineers,.....	20 00	
	25 00	Superintendent of Fire Alarm,.....	25 00	
	75 00	Care Fire Alarm Battery,.....	87 50	12 50
26 65	200 00	Fuel and Lights, Fire Department,.....	173 35	
	300 00	Contingent Expenses, Fire Department,	402 93	102 93
		Repair- of Steamer,.....	151 00	151 00
4 05	500 00	Police,	495 95	

Tax Collections.

SETTLEMENT WITH ZENAS D. LINTON, COLLECTOR OF TAXES, 1897.

Commitment July 24, 1897,	\$26,782.79
Interest collected,	317.65
	<hr/> \$27,100.44

Collected in 1900, including property held by the town, exemptions, and abatements allowed,	\$2,556.85
Collected in 1897,	18,770.09
“ 1898,	3,910.40
“ 1899,	1,863.10
	<hr/> \$27,100.44

COLLECTIONS FOR 1898.

ZENAS D. LINTON, COLLECTOR.

Balance uncollected, Feb. 15, 1900,	\$3,287.65
Paid in during the year :—	
June,	\$379.70
August and September,	245.59
October and November,	150.71
December, January, February,	149.89
	<hr/> \$925.89
Uncollected,	<hr/> \$2,361.76

COLLECTIONS FOR 1899.
ZENAS D. LINTON, COLLECTOR.

Balance uncollected Feb. 15, 1900,		\$7,469.56
Paid in during the year :		
March and April,	\$744.28	
May and June,	601.15	
July and August,	864.58	
September and October,	570.01	
November and December,	612.90	
January and February,	464.10	
	<hr/>	\$3,857.02
Uncollected,		<hr/> \$3,612.54

COLLECTIONS FOR 1900.
FRANCIS P. VINCENT, COLLECTOR.

Commitment August 1st, 1900,		\$29,796.42
Paid in during the year :		
August,	\$5,693.58	
September.	5,224.26	
October,	6,558.21	
November,	2,415.59	
December,	609.14	
January,	696.37	
February,	48.16	
	<hr/>	\$21,245.31
Uncollected,		<hr/> \$8,551.11

Treasurer's Report.

ZENAS D. LINTON, TREASURER,

IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF COTTAGE CITY.

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Cash on hand,	\$2,444.61
Temporary loan, Martha's Vineyard Bank,	1,000.00
Temporary loan, Martha's Vineyard Bank,	3,000.00
Temporary loan, N. B. I. for Savings,	4,000.00
Temporary loan, N. B. I. for Savings,	3,000.00
Collection of taxes, 1897,	1,385.83
Collection of taxes, 1898,	925.89
Collection of taxes, 1899,	3,857.02
Collection of taxes, 1900,	21,245.31
Corporation and Bank tax,	95.33
Income, school fund,	100.00
Fines, District Court,	58.45
County Treasurer, dog tax,	128.60
State Treasurer, State Aid,	592.00
State Treasurer, Inspector of Animals,	12.00
Carriage and baggage license, \$42.00 less amount paid for badges. \$40.25,	1.75
License, pool and billiards,	19.00
License, auctioneers,	2.00
License, druggist,	2.00
License, junk,	4.00
License, peddlers,	3.00

License, dance,	\$2.00
Cash, E. G. Beetle for screenings,	19.85
Superintendent of Schools,	312.50
Interest, I. Norton bequest,	12.00
Cash from Tisbury, account Lagoon bridge,	500.00
Cash from Tisbury, account Lagoon bridge,	42.81
Cash, S. M. Mayhew for algebra,	4.20
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	\$42,770.15

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Principal of note, Martha's Vineyard Bank,	\$2,000.00
Interest on above,	50.00
Interest paid E. G. Beetle and C. T. Luce for temporary loan,	242.96
Principal of note, National Bank of Republic,	1,500.00
Interest on above, State,	60.00
Principal of note, N. B. I. for savings,	4,000.00
Interest on above,	80.00
Principal of note, N. B. I. for Savings,	3,000.00
Interest on above,	70.00
Principal of note, Malden Savings Bank,	1,000.00
Interest on the above,	40.00
Balance of note, C. T. Luce,	113.00
Interest on notes for \$15,000.00,	565.42
Interest on notes for \$2,000.00,	63.33
Interest on bonds for \$20,000.00,	800.00
Interest on bonds for \$9,000.00,	360.00
Interest on bonds for \$1,500.00,	60.00
Interest on bonds for \$2,500.00,	125.00
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	1,973.75
County tax, account of Lagoon bridge,	50.00
A. H. Bartlett, legal papers,	4.20
Commonwealth of Mass., druggist license,	.50

Cash paid for cash book,	\$6.00
County tax,	3,382.55
State tax,	840.00
Road Commissioners, Lagoon bridge,	500.00
Officers for District Court, fees,	13.09
Outstanding orders,	835.13
Orders paid during the year,	20,261.86
Balance,	2,747.11
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	\$42,770.15

Liabilities and Assets.

LIABILITIES.

Bonds, Malden Savings Bank,	\$8,000.00
“ Joseph Parker & Co.,	10,000.00
“ State,	11,500.00
“ Charles Weil & Co.,	3,000.00
“ New Bedford Institute for Savings,	2,500.00
Temporary loans, bonded,	4,600.00
Temporary loans,	12,000.00
Outstanding orders,	487.24
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	\$52,087.24

ASSETS.

Uncollected taxes,	\$14,525.41
Deeds of land sold for taxes,	400.00
Cash in the treasury,	2,747.11
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	\$17,672.52

NOTE.—The Ichabod Norton bequest now amounts to \$938.84. There is deposited in the New Bedford Institution for Savings, \$345.41; and invested at 6 per cent. interest, \$200.00. The balance of \$393.43 is in the treasury.

Town Clerk's Report.

Report of Births. Marriages and Deaths.

BIRTHS, 1900.

DATE.	NAME OF CHILD.	SEX	NAMES OF PARENTS.
January	30 Frederick H. Chirgwin,	M	Thomas and Lisa.
February	6 Gertrude V. Fisher,	F	Abbott L. and Edith E.
"	16 Manuel D. Silva,	M	Antone D. and Fannie P.
June	22 John Bettencourt,	M	Joe and Poliana.
"	26 Evelyn M. Bunker,	F	Roy A. and Gertrude M.
July	5 Dorothy R. Bradley,	F	Daniel M. and Annie J.
"	18 Manuel Enos,	M	Manuel and Mary.
August	18 John Ferria,	M	Manuel and Mary.
"	21 Ida M. Silva,	F	Manuel M. and Mirami M.
"	26 ——— Knehl,	M	Hugo and Maggie.
September	2 Mildred Norton,	F	Charles W. and Hattie J.
"	6 Willie Pacheco,	M	Manuel and Louise.
October	4 Susie Amaral,	F	Frank and Mary C.
November	8 Ida H. Luce,	F	Harry C. and Irena.
December	1 John B. Silva,	M	Manuel and Rosa.
"	15 Richard N. Maderios,	M	Frank and Mary.

MARRIAGES.

DATE.	NAMES OF PARTIES.	RESIDENCE.	AGE.	PLACE OF BIRTH.
January 1	Harry C. Luce,	Cottage City,	23	Edgartown.
	Irena Mayhew,	" "	22	" "
January 20	Manuel J. Rogers,	" "	47	Cape Verde Islands.
	Henriqueta Vailles,	" "	46	" " "
March 10	Manuel M. Silva,	" "	21	" " "
	Mary A. Perry,	" "	20	" " "
March 28	John F. Alden,	" "	64	Fairhaven, Mass.
	Martha E. Galley,	" "	46	Calais, Me.
June 11	Coleman A. Church,	" "	29	Indian River, Me.
	Jennie L. Johnson,	Foxborough,	24	Foxborough, Mass.
June 15	Wilson S. Gorham,	Cottage City,	31	Tisbury, Mass.
	H. May Copeland,	" "	24	Ashford, Conn.
July 7	Charles E. Whittaker,	Attleboro, Mass.	39	Providence, R. I.
	Susan T. Parsons,	Cottage City,	23	Chelsea, Mass.
August 2	Charles E. Baker,	" "	27	Brewster, Mass.
	Mary McKenzie,	" "	27	Boston, Mass.
September 26	Warren A. Chadwick,	" "	21	Edgartown, Mass.
	Sadie G. Rice,	Bangor, Me.,	19	New York, N. Y.
November 21	Frederick W. Smith,	Cottage City,	34	Edgartown.
	Maude E. Leighton,	" "	28	Taunton.
December 15	John F. Randolph,	" "	35	Gay Head, Mass.
	Elsie E. Briscoe,	Halifax, N. S.,	21	Halifax, N. S.

DEATHS

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.			CAUSE OF DEATH.
		Y.	M.	D.	
March 15	Julia Silvia,	4	6	-	Pneumonia.
" 24	Willis Wentworth,	9	2	8	Epileptic Convulsions.
" 26	Marian J. Nunes,			6	Not apparent. Natural.
April 6	Antone Baptiste,		7		Convulsions.
" 14	Florence H. Hood,	27	9	2	General Tuberculosis.
" 14	Rosa Souza,	2	1		Whooping Cough.
" 20	Charles H. Luce,	73	1	14	Heart Failure.
June 7	Manuel Mills,		8		Epileptic Convulsions.
" 25	Daniel Currier,	70	6	17	Hemiplegia.
July 10	Antone S. de Bettencourt,		2	2	Enteritis.
" 21	Thomas Irwin,	72	6	6	Paralysis.
August 3	*George L. Cook,	76	10	1	Uremia.
" 12	*Mary Lena Tucker,	31			Typhoid Fever.
" 18	Sarah M. Ellinwood,	70			Disease of Brain.
" 31	*George W. Aldrich,	64			Acute Phthisis.
September 2	*Leroy W. Polk,	1	3	3	Acute Nephritis.
" 17	*Ruby A. Dunham,	80	11	19	Paralysis of Heart.
October 10	Edmund G. Beetle,	57	7	3	Paralysis of Heart.
" 13	William G. Bunker,	73		11	Old Age.
" "	John Farrada,		2		Enteritis.
" 19	Alexander N. Niles,	76	8	6	Paralysis of Lower Extremities.

*Non-Residents.

SUMMARY.

Following are the statistics of births, marriages and deaths :—

BIRTHS.

Whole number of births, 16. Males, 9. Females, 7.

MARRIAGES.

Whole number of marriages, 11.

DEATHS.

Whole number of deaths, 21. Males, 14. Females, 7.
Residents, 16. Non-residents, 5.

Dog Tax Account for the Year 1900

Whole number of dogs licensed,	67
Males,	63
Females,	4

The amount received for same, less fees, has been remitted to the County Treasurer, receipts taken, and placed on file.

FRANCIS P. VINCENT, Town Clerk.

Health Report.

Fellow Citizens:—

Your Board of Health respectfully submit the following report:—

The board organized in March, 1900, with C. W. Norton as chairman, and George P. Briggs as secretary.

The rules and regulations of 1899 were continued, and ordered printed in the Martha's Vineyard Herald.

The contract for cleaning vaults and emptying cesspools was awarded to Manuel Silvado, the work to be according to the rules of the Board of Health; the price to be \$1.25 per load from cesspools, and 50 cents per barrel from vaults; the same to be paid by the parties for whom the work is done.

The contract for collecting swill and garbage from June 15 to October 1, 1900, was awarded to Joe Bernado; the swill and garbage to be collected once a day from all private houses on the Bluffs, and every other day on the Highlands. As the appropriation is not large enough, this does not include hotels and boarding-houses, which are obliged to care for their own refuse. We would recommend an increase in the appropriation, so that hotels and boarding-houses may be included.

The contract for the removal of ashes and rubbish from June 1st to October 1st, 1900, was also awarded to Joe Bernado for the sum of \$45.00, the same to be collected twice a month from dwellings. We desire to call your attention to the fact that the ashes and refuse has so grown in the past year that we recommend its more frequent removal, and ask an appropriation for the same.

C. W. NORTON, Chairman.
GEO. P. BRIGGS, Secretary.
J. H. GORHAM.

Report of Board of Engineers.

The following report of the Board of Engineers for the year ending March 1st, 1901, is respectfully submitted :

The force consists of seventy-nine men in the following named companies :

Steamer Company No. 1.

Hydrant Hose Company No. 1.

Highland Hose Company No. 2.

Contest Chemical Company No. 2.

Hook and Ladder Company No. 1.

APPARATUS.

One Button Steam Fire Engine.

Two 80-gallon Chemical Engines.

Two Hose Wagons.

One Hook and Ladder Truck.

Two Hose Reels.

Three thousand five hundred feet of hose.

A fire alarm of eleven street boxes, fifteen house alarms, two bell alarms, and a complete cell battery for furnishing electricity to run the same.

FIRES.

March 4th, building at Green Meadow Place owned by Mrs. Rebecca S. Bradford. Totally destroyed.

June 7th, at house of Mrs. Ann M. Chase, Circuit avenue. Damage slight.

June 30th, Island House. Damage slight.

July 23d, grass fire near the residence of J. Mason Mills.

August 3d, at house of Manuel Prodenca, Forest Hills.
Damage slight.

August 22d, grass fire at East Chop.

January 21st, at house of Mrs. Sarah Wentworth, corner
School street and Dukes County avenue. Damage slight.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

We respectfully recommend that the following named sums be raised and appropriated for use of the department the ensuing year :

Firemen,	\$395.00
Engineer, Steamer No. 1,	150.00
Fireman, Steamer No. 1,	15.00
Steward, Steamer House and Town Hall,	150.00
Steward, Hydrant Hose House, and care chemical engine,	35.00
Steward, Highland Hose House,	25.00
Steward, Chemical No. 2 House,	25.00
Clerk, Board of Engineers,	20.00
Superintendent of fire alarm,	25.00
Care of fire alarm battery,	75.00
Fuel and lights, fire department,	225.00
Contingent expenses, fire department,	350.00

E. ROLAND SMITH.

LEWIS BARTLETT.

HORATIO N. PEASE.

EZEKIEL H. MATTHEWS.

FRANCIS P. VINCENT.

Park Commisioners' Report.

To the Citizens of Cottage City:—

The Park Commissioners beg leave to submit the following report of their work during the fiscal year of 1900 :

Appropriation for parks,	\$500.00
Unexpended balance, 1899,	15.14
Total,	<u>\$515.14</u>

1900.

April 21, order for Andrew Warren,	\$25.00
“ 21, order for John McGrath,	50.00
May 5, order for John McGrath,	40.00
“ 19, order for John McGrath,	40.00
“ 22, order for Charles Strahan,	5.00
June 2, order for John McGrath,	40.00
“ 16, order for John McGrath,	40.00
July 7, order for John McGrath,	50.00
“ 21, order for John McGrath,	40.00
Aug. 4, order for John E. Sandiford,	5.00
“ 4, order for John McGrath,	40.00
“ 4, order for Cottage City Water Co.,	12.00
“ 25, order for John McGrath,	40.00
“ 25, order for F. D. Tripp,	1.84
“ 25, order for L. F. Partridge,	3.25
Sept. 18, order for George A. Burgess,	1.50

Oct. 8, order for Arthur C. Smith,	\$29.30
Dec. 22, order for John W. McGrath, 1901.	37.00
Feb. 20, order for Linton, Worth & Co.,	1.00
“ 20, order for John L. Mayhew,	1.10
“ 20, order for Fred O. Luce,	2.80
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	\$504.79
Unexpended balance on hand,	\$10.35

JOHN E. SANDIFORD, Sec'y.

Road Commissioners' Report.

The Road Commissioners present the following report for the year 1900 :

SWEEPING STREETS.

Received from Selectmen,		\$200.00
Joseph W. Silvia, labor,	\$196.50	
Linton, Worth & Co., scoop and broom,	2.05	198.55
Balance unexpended,		<u>\$1.45</u>

REPAIRS OF CONCRETE.

Received from Selectmen,		\$800.00
B. B. Manchester, tar,		35.00
Martha's Vineyard Camp Meeting Association, tar,		38.50
F. P. Bunker, tar,		<u>75.00</u>
		\$948.50
C. F. James, carting tar,	\$16.00	
New Bedford Gas and Edison Light Co., tar,	633.00	
H. L. Norton & Co.,	8.83	
Joseph G. Pachico, labor,	27.84	
Manuel Silvia, "	14.34	
James Menese, "	10.50	
Frank Pachico, "	20.34	

Amos Joseph,	labor,	\$12.84	
Henry Corey,	"	10.50	
John Peters,	"	23.34	
Frank Banardo,	"	10.50	
Manuel Rose,	"	10.50	
Manuel Pixote,	"	10.50	
Frank Silvia,	"	23.34	
Manuel Swartz,	"	21.84	
Manuel Cordoza,	"	1.50	
Manuel Pachico,	"	1.50	
Adrian Silvia,	"	10.50	
J. Mason Mills,	" and stone,	40.50	
E. G. Mills,	"	1.50	
Vincent Bros.,	"	5.00	
F. P. Bunker,	"	25.00	
James A. Pratt,	"	37.50	
Linton, Worth & Co., brooms, etc.,		7.54	
J. L. Maybaw, tar pail,		1.50	986.25
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Overdrawn,			\$37.75
Tar on hand,			\$150.00

BULKHEADS AND BRIDGES.

Received from Selectmen,		\$200.00
E. G. Mills, labor and stone,	\$38.19	
James A. Pratt labor,	6.50	
E. G. Eldridge, stamps,	1.60	
H. H. Rice, lumber,	46.13	
Lorenzo Gough, labor,	4.50	
Albert Silvia, “	3.66	100.58
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Unexpended,		\$99.42

CONCRETE ON SCHOOL STREET.

Received from Selectmen,		\$200.00
E. G. Mills, labor and stone,	\$24.10	
Road Commissioners, stamps and stationery,	3.00	
Joseph G. Pachico, labor,	11.25	
Frank Pachico, “	11.25	
Manuel Silvia, “	6.00	
James Menese, “	6.00	
Amos Joseph, “	6.00	
Henry Corey, “	6.00	
John Peters, “	6.00	
Frank Banardo, “	6.00	
Manuel Rose, “	6.00	
Manuel Pixote, “	6.00	
Frank Silvia, “	6.00	
Manuel Swartz, “	6.00	
Manuel Cordoza, “	6.00	
Adrian Silvia, “	4.67	
James A. Pratt, labor and stone,	22.33	
J. M. Mills, stone,	5.00	
F. P. Bunker, labor,	10.00	
William Norton, Jr., labor,	1.25	
New Bedford Gas and Edison Light Co., tar,	42.00	200.85
Overdrawn,		<hr/> \$.85

DIRT ROADS.

Received from Selectmen,		\$200.00
E. G. Mills, labor,	\$46.25	
Joseph Enos, “	3.77	
John Watson, “	14.84	
Frank Silvia, “	13.34	

Joseph D. Star,	labor,	\$3.75	
Manuel Silvia,	"	4.18	
Joseph Swartz,	"	4.50	
John Peters,	"	4.50	
James A. Pratt,	"	76.50	
C. F. James,	"	9.00	
Manuel Martin,	"	6.75	
Frank W. Chase,	"	14.00	
M. S. De Bettincourt,	"	11.50	
G. L. Marchant,	"	11.50	
J. M. Mills,	"	20.00	
Walter Gilkes,	"	1.50	
Hambel Gilkes,	"	4.50	
F. P. Bunker,	"	1.00	251.38
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Overdrawn,			\$51.38

LAGOON BRIDGE.

Received from Selectmen, Cottage City,	\$500.00	
Received from Selectmen, Vineyard Haven,	500.00	
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		\$1,000.00
William A. Vanderhoof, freight,	\$429.92	
George A. Smith, carting lumber,	19.50	
Brillon & Johnson, pine lumber,	383.33	
Fred O. Luce, labor and lumber,	17.15	
Linton, Worth & Co., nails,	.30	
P. C. Cromwell, lighting,	9.25	
H. L. Norton & Co., nails,	.90	
Manuel R. Charves, labor	27.80	
S. S. Carter, “	30.33	
Lorenzo Gough, “	14.00	
F. P. Bunker, “	45.66	
E. G. Mills, “	36.28	
B. M. Parker, spiles,	48.80	1,063.22
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Overdrawn,		\$63.22

UNPAID BILLS, LAGOON BRIDGE.

B. C. Cromwell,	\$22.82
Vineyard Grove Co., labor, spikes and wharfage,	141.72
Landers & Doane, printing,	2.00
	<u>\$166.54</u>

ESTIMATE OF STOCK ON HAND.

Hard pine Lumber on hand to the amount of	
about	\$150.00
Spikes,	9.00
	<u>\$159.00</u>

Received from Selectmen.		Departments.	Expended.
Selectmen,	\$800.00		
For tar,	148.50		
	<u>\$948.50</u>	Repairs of Concrete . .	\$986.25
	200.00	Bulkheads and Bridges.	100.58
	200.00	Concrete, School Street.	200.85
	200.00	Repairs of Roads . . .	251.38
	200.00	Sweeping Streets . . .	198.55
Vineyard Haven,	500.00		
Cottage City,	500.00		
	<u>\$1,000.00</u>	Repairs of Lagoon Bridge	1,063.22
	52.83	Balance	
	<u>\$2,800.83</u>		<u>\$2,800.83</u>

ELIJAH G. MILLS, } Road
FRANK P. BUNKER, } Commissioners.

Report of Finance Committee.

COTTAGE CITY, FEBRUARY 23, 1901.

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held at the office of the Selectmen, it was voted to recommend the town to make the following appropriations :—

Firemen,	\$395.00
Engineer, Steamer No. 1,	150.00
Fireman, Steamer No. 1,	15.00
Steward, Steamer House and Town Hall,	150.00
Steward, Hydrant Hose House, and care chemical engine,	35.00
Steward, Highland Hose House,	25.00
Steward, Chemical No. 2 House,	25.00
Clerk, Board of Engineers,	20.00
Superintendent of fire alarm,	25.00
Care of fire alarm battery,	75.00
Fuel and lights, fire department,	200.00
Contingent expenses, fire department,	350.00
Incidentals,	1,000.00
Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor,	100.00
Assessors,	300.00
Treasurer,	100.00
School Committee,	75.00
Town Clerk,	40.00
Auditor,	25.00

Board of Health,	\$75.00
Collector of Taxes, salary for 1898,	300.00
Night Watchman,	450.00
Sweeping streets,	150.00
Repairs of concrete,	600.00
Repairs of dirt roads,	100.00
Bulkheads and bridges,	100.00
Lighting streets,	2,500.00
Police,	500.00
Public Library,	150.00
Public parks,	300.00
Memorial Day,	25.00
Schools, and transportation of scholars,	3,300.00
School expenses, and sanitary work,	700.00
Town debt and interest,	7,000.00
Support of poor,	1,000.00
Collection of swill and garbage,	200.00
Health expenses,	100.00
Hydrant rental,	2,040.00
Amusement fund,	500.00
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	\$23,195.00

Voted. To refer matter of watch in tower to the town meeting.

Voted. That the item of Superintendent of Schools be referred to the town meeting.

OBADIAH SMITH, Chairman.
FRED O. LUCE, Secretary.

Annual Town Meeting.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

DUKES COUNTY, ss.

To either of the Constables in the Town of Cottage City :

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Cottage City, qualified to vote in town affairs and elections, to assemble at the TOWN HALL, in said Cottage City, on MONDAY, THE ELEVENTH DAY OF MARCH, A. D. 1901, at seven o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act upon the following named articles, viz :—

ARTICLE 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To elect the following named town officers :

A Town Clerk.

A Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor for three years.

A Treasurer.

A Collector of Taxes.

Two members of the School Committee for three years.

A member of the School Committee for two years.

A member of the School Committee for one year.

A member of the Board of Health for three years.

A member of the Board of Road Commissioners for three years.

A member of the Board of Park Commissioners for three years.

A member of the Board of Park Commissioners for two years.

Two Constables.

An Auditor.

And to vote on the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

The polls for the reception of votes for all the aforesaid officers, and said question, will be opened at 7.15 o'clock in the forenoon, and will be closed at 11.15 o'clock in the forenoon, unless a later hour be determined upon by the meeting.

ARTICLE 3. To elect all other necessary town officers:

ARTICLE 4. To hear the reports of Selectmen, Auditor and other committees.

ARTICLE 5. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to pay town debts and appropriations for the ensuing year, and to make appropriations of the same.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire such sums of money as may be necessary in anticipation of taxes for the year 1901, and payable therefrom.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the town will approve the list of persons to serve as jurors, as made out by the Selectmen.

ARTICLE 8. To see what action the town will take relative to night watch.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the town will fix a time for the payment of all taxes assessed, and will direct what rate of interest shall be demanded in case taxes are not paid at the time specified.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the town will instruct the Assessors to remit all such taxes as cannot, in their judgment, be collected.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the town will pay firemen the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the town will vote to authorize the cemetery committee to introduce water into the cemetery, and to appropriate a sum of money, not exceeding one hundred dollars, for said purpose.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the town will raise and appropriate \$1,000.00 to concrete the Beach road, from the end of the concrete now laid to Lagoon bridge.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the town will accept a way as laid out by the Road Commissioners over and along Laurel avenue, from New York avenue to Wayland avenue.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the town will accept from Messrs. James W. Tufts, Henry F. King, and others, the platform, steps and small pier, locally known as the "Robinson pier," at the foot of Tuckeanuck avenue, and keep them in good condition and repair hereafter for public use and benefit, as per resolution passed at the Tax-payers' meeting, August 21, 1900.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00, under the provisions of Chapter 27, laws of the Commonwealth, to aid the publication of a history of this town, and to receive from the author sixty copies of such history, when published, in consideration of said appropriation.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the town will request the County Commissioners, when the draw of Lagoon bridge is repaired, to cause the opening of said draw to be widened five feet, and to cause the driveway over said draw to be constructed the same width as the bridge.

And to act upon and transact all business which may legally come before said meeting.

Hereof fail not and give public notice by causing this warrant to be published in the Martha's Vineyard Herald, and by posting two copies thereof in two public places in the town at least seven days before the time of said meeting.

And make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place specified in this warrant.

Given under our hands this second day of March, one thousand nine hundred and one.

THOMAS D. CROWELL,	} Selectmen of Cottage City.
EDMUND G. ELDRIDGE,	
ELMER E. LANDERS,	

Pursuant to above instructions, I hereby notify and warn the inhabitants of said town of Cottage City, qualified to vote, as expressed in this warrant, to meet at the time and place and for the purpose specified.

LARROY S. LEWIS, Constable.

Cottage City, March 2, 1901.

Superintendent's Report.

To the School Committee of Cottage City:—

I have the honor of submitting to you a brief account of the progress of the work of the schools since September, 1900, and to make such suggestions for their further improvement as seems to me pertinent at this time.

Our schools are in charge of a corps of teachers who are working in a spirit of hearty co-operation and good will which augurs well for the future usefulness of our school system. They labor, however, under a severe handicap from the fact that twenty per cent. of the school population of the town fail during a period of four to six weeks—the cranberry season—to become members of the school.

An alarming fact which unfortunately is not only detrimental to the interests of the non-attendants, but greatly retards by the entrance of these late comers into classes already formed, the advancement of those pupils whose attendance has been regular from the beginning. Many others remain in the public schools only until they have reached the age when the compulsory school law no longer affects them.

In many instances parents, feeling the necessity for the services of the children and having low ideals of the possibilities of American life, take their children from school at the earliest possible opportunity.

Teachers and other school authorities have here an evident duty, to encourage the pupils by every reasonable means to continue attendance for longer periods, that the process of education may be more fully realized in them; and to enlighten parents who do not understand or feel the necessity which modern life lays upon each person for an education which shall make him an intelligent member of the community in which he is to live.

PENMANSHIP.

The work in penmanship has progressed pleasantly and profitably during the year. The Natural System of Vertical Writing has been in use about three years and gratifying gain has undoubtedly come to the schools in many directions through its introduction. Greater legibility in writing, greater interest in learning to write, better position while writing, are some of the advantages derived from its adoption. Vertical writing encourages an easy and natural position of the head and body, and a normal distance of the eye from the paper, and does away with the necessity of guide lines, which strain and bewilder the eye.

DRAWING.

No special study can be made more profitable for the pupil than drawing, if properly presented, and I know of no subject that will give greater return, if intellectually studied and taught. True art education is more largely intellectual and emotional than many realize. In January, Miss Eunice F. Faulkner, who had ably and efficiently discharged her duties as Supervisor of Drawing for more than three years, tendered her resignation. Her faithful and intelligent service commanded the respect and esteem of her fellow workers. It is of importance that prompt measures should be taken to

obtain a successor who shall have the requisite experience and skill to carry on the good work with undiminished efficiency.

MUSIC.

Music has been pursued through the year. The regular teachers, as a rule, have been very faithful in this work, giving some time each day to its study. For this I desire to thank them. The time set apart in each of the several grades for singing was apparently a pleasure to both teacher and pupils. While tolerable success has been attained, the employment of a special teacher of music would tend in my judgment to systematize the work more fully.

PLAN OF PROMOTION.

We have a nine years' course of study below the High school, promotions being made but once a year. The average child needs this time to complete the work. By good attendance and a fair amount of application he can comfortably and satisfactorily do the work assigned him. The course is made for this class of pupils. There are two other classes in the public schools, however, who deserve more consideration, the exceptionally dull and the exceptionally bright children. Neither class is large, but both have a strong claim upon our attention. It is useless to try to bring all up to the same level. Pupils deficient in only one study should always be given an opportunity in a higher grade, and no child who has been constant in attendance should be kept more than two years in a grade, but should be moved along, trusting that a change of association under a new teacher and with new studies, may awaken and inspire them to more successful effort.

One fault of the graded system is in placing all upon the same level, providing the same work for all. The same lessons are assigned to the quick and the slow, and an equal

length of time is given to all for the completion of a particular grade. This defect is recognized by all who have given thought to the subject, and in several places plans are being formulated, more or less successfully, for lessening the interval between classes, and for more rapid promotion. To lessen the class interval with our conditions appears impracticable, but I believe it is desirable to provide for more rapid promotion.

On this subject State Agent Prince says:—

“The assumption upon which most courses of study seem to be based, that just as much ground must be gone over with equal thoroughness by all pupils in the same time, is the greatest bane of our public school system.”

HALF-YEARLY PROMOTIONS.

The plan of “double promotions” practiced successfully for several years in the Woburn schools seems to me applicable to our schools.

Of this plan Superintendent Emerson writes:—

“During the first half of the year each section passes over all the work prescribed for the year in language and arithmetic, giving attention chiefly to the most important principles and their applications in the simplest forms of expression and computation. The last half of the year is given to a more minute study of the ground already passed over, together with a more extended application of principles.

“This adjustment of the work in arithmetic and language enables the individual pupil to pass from one grade to the next higher at the close of the first half of the year; and this he may do with no loss of time, with little friction, and without the omission of a single principle that will affect his future progress in these two branches of study. In other words, he passes through two grades in a single year, doing the work

of one grade the first half of the year, and that of the next higher grade the last half of the year."

And again :—

"The following are some of the advantages of this plan of individual promotions :—

"First. It makes a proper and reasonable provision for the advancement of those pupils who are more gifted than their fellows, of those who are more mature by reason of age, and of those whose physical strength enables them to endure and accomplish more than the average pupil.

"Second. It substitutes stimulation for repression. Indeed, there is danger that the stimulating effect will work an injury in exceptional cases, and it is on this side that the plan needs to be carefully guarded.

"Third. It leads the teacher to study the condition and needs of individual pupils.

"Fourth. It makes it necessary that the work of the year should be entered upon without delay. Reviews that have heretofore consumed so much time are now interwoven with the regular work so far as they are found to be needful.

"Fifth. It gives the pupil larger opportunities for personal application, mind and character being developed by what the pupil does, not by what is done for him.

"Sixth. It assures the parents that the individual is no longer absorbed in the mass, and thus more fully enlists their interests and co-operation.

The conditions of promotion in every case are punctual and constant attendance, high rank, good conduct, good health, and the consent of the parents."

Since the previous annual report the following changes of teachers has been made :—

Miss Stella M. Moulton has charge of the First Grade in place of Miss Helen Norton, resigned ; Miss Margaret Rand has charge of the Second Grade in place of Miss Edith Ames,

promoted; Miss Edith Ames has charge of the Third and Fourth Grades in place of Miss May Copeland, resigned; Miss Lucy Loring as Grammar assistant in place of Miss Emma L. Benson, resigned; and Miss Harriet Royal in charge of the Grammar room instead of Miss Alleetta Mills, resigned.

OUTBUILDINGS.

The school building with its large airy rooms provided with comfortable desks and an approved modern system of heating and ventilation is an object of just pride to the citizens of the town, but the present out-buildings, devoid of the simplest comforts, are a menace to the moral and physical well-being of our pupils. No carefully reared child should be required to frequent such places day after day, but there is no alternative. Can there be any doubt that their finer instincts will be blunted, or that seeds of vulgarity will be sown? I urge the necessity of more suitable accommodations. It is better when practicable to use some of those modern appliances which have made it safe to bring the conveniences into the school building itself. Then the inconveniences and discomforts of visits to distant out-buildings in inclement weather will be avoided together with the danger of those diseases which are brought on by delaying as long as possible to obey the calls of nature. In a building provided as ours is with an abundant water supply, water-closets are preferable to other systems; but whatever kind of sanitary appliances are put in for the accommodation of the pupils constant supervision is necessary to keep them in an unobjectionable condition.

In November the schools were closed to enable the teachers to attend the institute at West Tisbury and the gain in enthusiasm and inspiration was notable.

In conclusion my earnest thanks are due to you, Members of the Board, for many courtesies and kindnesses received.

Respectfully submitted,

ANDREW P. AVERILL,

Superintendent of Schools.

Principal's Report.

To the Superintendent of Schools:—

In accordance with your request I submit the following report:—

I am certain that during the year closed that many of the changes suggested as being necessary to the welfare of our schools have been accomplished. The teachers one and all have striven nobly to incite in the pupils a spirit of work for the work's sake; through them, by this spirit, to interest the parents in the schools. These ends are being accomplished, and daily the children are gaining in their power to work and to do acceptable and creditable work.

In discipline we are leading the children to feel that right is the end, and to lead them to discover the right and act of themselves to attain it. As far as possible set rules and regulations are being done away with, for as they grow in this spirit these guides are not needed; or simply that they are to conduct themselves as perfect gentlemen and ladies should, governed by the rules of right living, which rules we are striving to teach.

The laboratory has been fitted new with fine apparatus for studying chemistry and physics, and we trust to show some fine results in the years coming.

I trust the sanitary conditions will be changed, they being at present the only blot on our escutcheon of the best school

building on the Island. We are bringing the schools to the lead; let not the facilities for so doing be in any way hampered.

Our records for attendance and tardiness have been excellent. The tardiness I feel has been corrected owing to the fine bell we have.

In regard to the force of teachers, we are working as a unit for these ends, and while it may be possible that better teachers are in the state, it is not for me to criticize others, I can say that I am sure no more harmonious corps of workers exists or can be found any where, a fact of which I am very proud, as it foretells success; as we all are striving to the full extent of our abilities to make the schools a success, and to keep the children there as long as possible. As a proof let me submit this, that of all who have graduated during my term as principal, all have returned to take the post-graduate course offered, with one exception, and that one is in the finest Normal school in the country learning to become a teacher.

I feel all should feel proud and strive to help the cause of good schools.

Respectfully.

HENRY H. HARRIMAN,
Principal of Schools.

Statistical Report from June, 1900, to June, 1901.

TEACHERS.														
	Salary.	Grades.	Enrollment,	Males.	Females.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per Cent. of Attendance.	Average Tardiness per Pupil.	Average Absence per Pupil.	Pupils Not Absent for One Year.	Number of Visits.	Number of Visitors.	Pupils between Five and Seven Years of Age.
Helen Norton,.....	\$315	I	58	34	24	36.1	33.1	91.6	3.4	15.3	0	73	31	32
Edith Ames,.....	\$225	II	25	11	14	20.1	18.1	90	10	15	0	51	25	4
May Copeland,.....	\$360	III IV	33	21	12	27.2	25.2	92.6	10	6.6	0	57	39	0
Allecta Mills,.....	\$360	V	39	26	13	31	29	93.5	3	11.4	0	218	64	0
Harriette D. Royal,.....	\$360	VI	28	15	13	25.6	24	93.3	3.1	10.1	2	218	64	0
Emma L. Benson,.....	\$360	VII VIII	28	15	13	25.6	24	93.3	3.1	10.1	2	218	64	0
Lucy E. Loring,.....	\$360	IX	28	15	13	25.6	24	93.3	3.1	10.1	2	218	64	0
Henry H. Hartman,.....	\$450	X XI XII	15	9	6	12.4	11.5	92.7	2.5	11.7	0	97	53	0
Elizabeth H. Norman,.....	\$450	X XI XII	15	9	6	12.4	11.5	92.7	2.5	11.7	0	97	53	0
Henry H. Hartman,.....	\$450	X XI XII	15	9	6	12.4	11.5	92.7	2.5	11.7	0	97	53	0
Totals,.....			198	116	82	152.4	140.9	92.4	5.3	11.7	2	496	212	36
														147
														13
														160

NOTE.—Visits and Visitors of Grades V., VI., VII., VIII., are same.
Two children in school who are under 5 years of age.

School Calendar.

1901.

April 1, Spring term begins.
April 19, Patriot's Day ; holiday.
May 30, Memorial Day ; holiday.
June 15, Summer vacation begins.

September 16, Fall term begins ; pupils admitted to first grade.
November 28, Thanksgiving Day ; holiday.
December 21, Winter vacation begins.

1902.

January 6, Winter term begins.
February 22, Washington's Birthday ; holiday.
March 29, Spring vacation begins.

March 31, Spring term begins.
April 19, Patriot's Day ; holiday.
May 30, Memorial Day ; holiday.
June 14, Summer vacation begins.

Graduates.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Byron Peakes Luce.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Mary Luce Chandler,
Bertha Evelyn Besse,
Mary Josephine Vincent,
William Elliotte Doyle,
Frank Otis Matthews,
Leonard Bacon Pease.

Roll of Honor.

THREE TERMS.

Grace Welch,
H. Franklin Norton.

TWO TERMS.

Josephine T. Peters,
Warren Bowman.
Norman Pratt.

V. Basil Shepard,
Ernest Smith.

ONE TERM.

Fay L. Bunker,
Clarence M. Smith, --
Isabelle B. Toye,
George W. Healis,
J. Russell Look,
Alice Gardner,
Florence Charves,
Gertrude Bowman.

Anthony Medeirias,
John Nunes,
Elsie Stratton,
Manuel Medeirias,
Arthur Cawthorn,
Irene V. Landers,
Harold G. Look,
Philip St. Armour.

Graduation Exercises.

- Piano Solo, "Rubato," Miss Susie E. Eldridge
Invocation, Rev. F. F. Thayer
Recessional, School
Essay, "Peculiar Ideas Regarding Chemistry,"
W. W. Harding
Essay, "Hawthorne's House of Seven Gables
and its Inmates," Miss Josephine G. Galligher
Song, "Yachting Glee," School
Recitation, "Women of Mumble's Head,"
Miss Mary L. Chandler
Essay, "School Electricity," Albert L. Buzzell
Dialogue, "Mark Twain and the Interviewer,"
William E. Doyle, Fay L. Bunker
Solo, "Winter Lullaby," Miss Mary J. Vincent
Essay, "Practical Side of Electricity," Byron P. Luce
Recitation, "Water Mill," Miss Bertha E. Besse
(Piano accompaniment, Miss Susie E. Eldridge.)
Song, "Morning Invitation," School
Solo by Miss Josephine G. Galligher.
Essay, "Hamlet and Macbeth Contrasted,"
Clarence M. Smith
Essay, "Greek Art," Miss Josephine G. Peters
Song, "When Life is Brightest," Chorus of Girls
Presentation of Diplomas.
Song, "Farewell," School

Report of School Committee.

In presenting their annual report, the Committee take pleasure in expressing their satisfaction with the general condition of our schools and with the work which has been accomplished by both teachers and pupils during the year.

The total enrollment for the year has fallen, but slightly, owing to the fact that a number of families have removed from the place.

The average absence per pupil has fallen 40 per cent., a fact due to the co-operation of parents in giving their children the advantages of school privileges as well as to the careful and faithful enforcement of the truant and absentee laws.

The average tardiness per pupil has fallen over 25 per cent., and this is due in a great measure to the timely notice given to pupils by the bell which has been placed in the town school-building.

There have been a number of changes in the teaching force during the year caused by the resignation of several of the teachers. Their places have been filled by others whose work has been very satisfactory, and the entire corps of teachers are entitled to the commendation of the Committee and the public for their interest in bringing our schools up to their present high standard, both in discipline and instruction.

A new Superintendent of Schools has been employed, Mr. Andrew P. Averill. His report is subjoined hereto.

Our faithful and efficient janitor, Mr. Daniel Currier, who has had charge of the school-building since its erection, has been removed by death; and we think it fitting that we record our appreciation of his long and faithful services, and our regret over the loss of an upright and estimable citizen.

In accordance with a vote of the town, the Committee has placed a porcelain lined sink in the laboratory, with water connections, for the convenience of the classes in chemistry and physics, and we believe that the laboratory is as well equipped as in many of the school-buildings in the larger towns.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

We recommend the following appropriations to carry on the school work for another year.

Schools, transportation, fuel,	\$3,400.00
School expenses,	500.00
Superintendent of Schools,	387.00
Sanitary improvements,	200.00

GEORGE W. MASON,
 HORATIO N. PEASE, } School Committee,

Names of Scholars Enrolled.

Alley, Antone
Alley, Domingo
Alley, George
Andrade, Adalena
Andrade, Joseph
Applebee, Albert W.
Applebee, Florence P.

Baptiste, Manuel
Baptiste, William
Barney, Ethel L.
Bernardo, George
Bernardo, John
Bernardo, Manuel
Bernardo, Mary
Besse, Bertha E.
Besse, Charles R.
Besse, Walter
Blankenship, Frank F.
Bordess, Manuel
Bordess, Mary
Bowman, Gertrude I.
Bowman, Warren
Bunker, Charles W.
Bunker, Eva
Bunker, Fay L.
Bunker, Frank C.
Bunker, Grace M.
Buzzell, Albert L.

Cawthorn, Arthur
Chandler, Harry

Chandler, Lester C.
Chandler, May L.
Charves, Florence
Chase, Harold W.
Cordoza, James
Cordoza, Mary
Correira, Carrie
Correira, Frank
Custadio, Anna
Custadio, Henrietta
Custadio, Louisa
Custadio, Mary

De Bettincourt, Frank S.
De Bettencourt, Joseph S.
De Bettenconit, Manuel S.
De Bettencourt, Mary S.
Doerfler, Alfred M.
Doerfler, Herbert
Doerfler, Willie
Dow, Louis E.
Doyle, William E.
Duart, Edward
Duart, Joseph
Duart, Mary

Eddy, Bertha L.
Eldridge, Susie E.
Enos, Joseph A.
Enos, Manuel

Fereira, Celia
Fereira, Flora

Fereira, Lizzie
 Fereira, Manuel
 Fereira, Mary
 Francis, Flora

Galligher, Josephine G.
 Gardner, Alice E.
 Gebo, Manuel
 Geldard, Arthur
 Givens, Lillian B.
 Gonzalves, Manuel
 Greene, Gladys G.

Hamblin, Olive D.
 Harding, Elizabeth D.
 Harding, Mary
 Harding, William W.
 Healis, George W.
 Healis, Richard

Joseph, Isabella
 Joseph, John
 Joseph, Mary

Landers, Irene V.
 Look, Bertha F.
 Look, Harold G.
 Look, John R.
 Look, Laura
 Lovett, James E.
 Luce, Byron P.
 Lynch, Fenimore B.

Marchant, Arthur L.
 Marchant, Walter H.
 Martin, Joseph
 Martin, Mary
 Matthews, Frank O.
 Mayhew, Linton
 Mayhew, Zenas D.
 McGrath, Anna
 McGrath, Mary
 Medeiros, Anthony

Medeiros, Frank
 Medeiros, John
 Medeiros, Manuel A.
 Medeiros, Manuel
 Medeiros, Margaret
 Menese, Emma
 Menese, Nellie
 Metell, Alfred
 Metell, Manuel
 Metell, Mary

Nicholson, Horace
 Norton, Alice G.
 Norton, Edna
 Norton, Henry F.
 Norton, Ina S.
 Nunes, Isabella
 Nunes, John
 Nunes, Joseph
 Nunes, Mary J.
 Nunes, Rosa

Pachico, Domingo
 Pachico, Fanny
 Pachico, Joseph
 Pachico, Joseph G.
 Pachico, Mannel
 Pachico, Mary
 Pachico, Mary B.
 Pachico, Mary C.
 Pease, Albert
 Pease, Elva S.
 Pease, Gladys H.
 Pease, Leonard B.
 Pease, Sara
 Perry, Clara J.
 Peters, Charles
 Peters, Chester
 Peters, Clarence
 Peters, Fanny
 Peters, John
 Peters, Joseph
 Peters, Josephine G.

Pimental, John
 Pimental, Joseph
 Pimental, Virginia M.
 Pratt, Alice
 Pratt, James L.
 Pratt, Norman

Ripley, Ervin L.
 Ripley, Hilda
 Ripley, Walter C.

Shepard, V. Basil
 Silvia, Albert
 Silvia, Alfred
 Silvia, Antone
 Silvia, Edward J.
 Silvia, Fanny
 Silvia, Frank
 Silvia, Frank A.
 Silvia, John
 Silvia, Joseph
 Silvia, Joseph A.
 Silvia, Jule
 Silvia, Julia
 Silvia, Manuel D.
 Silvia, Mary A.
 Silvia, Mary B.
 Silvia, Mary R.
 Silvia, Mary V.
 Silvia, Mary W.
 Silvado, Carrie

Silvado, Mary.
 Smith, Clarence M.
 Smith, Ernest
 Smith, Norman
 Smith, Ralph T.
 Snow, Margaret
 Souza, Philomena
 Spencer, Lewis
 St. Armour, Philip
 Stratton, Elsie M.
 Swartz, Antone
 Swartz, Jule

Thomas, Lucy
 Toye, Isabelle B.

Vincent, Alida
 Vincent, Annie
 Vincent, Charles McC.
 Vincent, Mary J.

Wade, Arthur W.
 Wade, Earl W.
 Watson, Jonathan
 Webb, Ernest
 Webb, Harry T.
 Webb, William
 Wentworth, Arthur
 Wentworth, Edward
 Wentworth, Willis
 Welch, Grace

Minority Report.

To the Citizens of Cottage City:—

I disagree with the majority of the school committee on several important points in the management of the schools through the year which I think the town ought to understand.

First, in regard to the transportation of scholars from the South district. An addition of two dollars per week has been allowed for transporting the children, when the committee had a bid before them from a good, responsible party to do the same work at the former price of five dollars per week, entailing an extra expense of seventy-two dollars for the school year of thirty-six weeks.

Second, I have not approved of the care which the school building has received for the past two terms. The building has not been kept in a cleanly condition. The heating has not been properly attended to; the fires have been allowed to go out in two or three instances during the past month, or allowed to get so low as to have to be rekindled while the schools were in session; and the principal has been obliged to leave his duties repeatedly to attend to the fires when he should have reported the neglect of the janitor to the committee, in compliance with rule VII of the regulations for the management of the school building, adopted by the committee, which reads: "VII. The principal shall see that

the above regulations, and all others necessary to the welfare of the school, are conscientiously executed, and report in writing any continued violation of the same."

I would recommend that we do away with the male principal and install the High school teacher as principal. The difference between her salary and that of the male principal, together with the excess paid for the transportation of the scholars from the South district, would make a saving to the town of six hundred dollars for the ensuing year.

Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL Q. RICE.

Cottage City Public School

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— FOR THE —

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 17, 1902.

INCLUDING REPORTS OF THE TOWN CLERK,
HEALTH OFFICERS, BOARD OF ENGINEERS
OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, FINANCE COM-
MITTEE, PARK COMMISSIONERS, ROAD COM-
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Auditor's Certificate.

To the Taxpayers of Cottage City:—

I herewith submit the Twenty-second Annual Report of the finances of the Town of Cottage City. I have carefully examined the books of the Selectmen and Treasurer and hereby certify the same to have been correctly kept, with vouchers for all orders drawn and payments made.

Appended are reports of Town Clerk, Health Officers, Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, Finance Committee, Park Commissioners, Road Commissioners, and School Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT L. NORTON, Auditor.

Town Officers.

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS, AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

EDMUND G. ELDRIDGE,
ELMER E. LANDERS,
THOMAS D. CROWELL.

CLERK.

FRANCIS P. VINCENT.

TREASURER.

ZENAS D. LINTON.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

FRANCIS P. VINCENT.

AUDITOR.

HERBERT L. NORTON.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

JOHN D. KING,
HORATIO N. PEASE,
GEORGE T. BACON,
DAVID J. BARNEY,
ALFRED A. BUZZELL,
GEORGE W. MASON.

HEALTH OFFICERS.

CHARLES W. NORTON,
GEORGE P. BRIGGS,
JOB H. GORHAM.

BOARD OF ENGINEERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT.

ALFRED A. BUZZELL,
ANDREW WARREN,
JOHN L. MAYHEW,
HERBERT A. EDDY,
GEORGE A. BURGESS.

ROAD COMMISSIONERS.

ELIJAH G. MILLS,
FRANK P. BUNKER,
JOHN C. HAMBLIN.

PARK COMMISSIONERS.

JOHN E. SANDIFORD,
JOHN W. McGRATH,
GEORGE A. SMITH.

Valuation, May 1st, 1901.

Resident personal property,	\$62,550.00
Non-resident personal property,	11,550.00
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Total personal estate,	\$74,100.00
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Resident real estate,	\$542,875.00
Non-resident real estate,	1,045,425.00
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Total real estate,	\$1,588,300.00
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Total valuation,	\$1,662,400.00
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Total resident valuation,	\$605,425.00
Total non-resident valuation,	1,056,975.00
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Total valuation,	\$1,662,400.00
Rate of taxation, \$17.60 per \$1,000.00.	
Tax on personal property,	\$1,304.16
Tax on real estate,	27,954.08
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Total property tax,	\$29,258.24
Tax on 264 polls,	528.00
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Total tax assessed May 1st, 1901,	\$29,786.24

State tax assessed,	\$910.00
State Highway tax assessed,	118.50
County tax assessed,	3,297.99
Town tax assessed,	25,200.00
Overlayings,	259.75

Total tax assessed May 1st, 1901,	\$29,786.24
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Tax bills delivered to Francis P. Vincent, collector, Aug. 1, 1901.

The following items of information are taken from the Assessors' books for 1901 :

Number of horses,	118
“ cows,	111
“ dwelling houses,	1,110
“ acres of land assessed,	3,423
“ tax payers,	1,493
“ persons paying poll tax only,	102
“ persons paying tax on property,	1,391

Town Property.

The following is a schedule of town property as furnished by the Selectmen:—

School buildings and land,	\$14,000.00
Other buildings and furnishings,	3,650.00
One lot on Pequot Avenue,	300.00
Vault,	800.00

FIRE APPARATUS.

Hose house and lot, (Highlands,)	750.00
Hose house,	200.00
One steam fire engine,	2,800.00
Two hose carts,	250.00
Two wagons, hose and fixtures,	700.00
Hose and pipes,	2,000.00
Two chemical engines,	800.00
One hook and ladder truck,	100.00
Fire alarm,	1,000.00
Land at cemetery,	800.00
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	\$28,150.00

Exempted Property.

Baptist church and land,	\$2,200.00
Baptist Association, Temple and land,	2,000.00
“ “ office and land,	2,500.00
Baptist Society, parsonage and land,	1,500.00
Catholic church and land,	1,000.00
Episcopal Society, church and land,	4,000.00
Methodist Church, church,	3,000.00
“ “ chapel,	1,500.00
Methodist Society, parsonage and land,	2,000.00
Martha's Vineyard Campmeeting Association, Tabernacle, office and land,	26,000.00
Martha's Vineyard Summer Institute, Agassiz Hall.	4,000.00
Martha's Vineyard Association, band stand,	1,000.00
Union Chapel Association, chapel and land,	6,000.00
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	\$56,700.00

Appropriations for 1901.

Schools and transportation of scholars,	\$3,240.00	
School expenses, and sanitary work,	700.00	
Superintendent of schools,	75.00	\$4,015.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Engineer, Steamer No. 1,	\$150.00	
Steward, Steamer House and Town Hall,	150.00	
Steward, Hydrant Hose House, and care of Chemical,	35.00	
Steward, Chemical House No. 2,	25.00	
Steward, Highland Hose House,	25.00	
Firemen,	395.00	
Contingent expenses of fire department,	350.00	
Clerk, Board of Engineers,	20.00	
Fuel and lights, fire department,	190.00	
Care of fire alarm battery,	75.00	
Fireman, Steamer No. 1,	15.00	
Superintendent of fire alarm,	25.00	1,455.00
Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor,		100.00
Assessors,		300.00
Treasurer,		100.00
School Committee,		75.00
Town Clerk,		40.00
Collector of Taxes, salary for 1898,		300.00
Board of Health,		75.00
Auditor,		25.00

Police,	\$500.00
Night watchman, and care of street lights,	550.00
Sweeping streets,	150.00
Repairs of concrete,	850.00
Repairs of dirt roads,	100.00
Bulkheads and bridges,	100.00
Lighting streets,	3,000.00
Public Library,	150.00
Public parks,	300.00
Memorial Day,	25.00
Town debt and interest,	7,000.00
Support of poor,	850.00
Collection of swill and garbage,	200.00
Health expenses,	50.00
Hydrant rental, 51 hydrants,	2,040.00
Amusement fund,	500.00
Incidentals,	1,000.00
Concrete on Beach Road,	1,000.00
Catch basins, on Bluffs and Highlands,	50.00
Aid publication of the history of this town,	300.00

Total appropriations assessed May 1, 1901, \$25,200.00

Expenditures.

Salaries of Town Officers.

SELECTMEN AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Edmund G. Eldridge, services, (Chairman)	\$50.00
Elmer E. Landers, “	25.00
Thomas D. Crowell, “	25.00
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	\$100.00

ASSESSORS.

Edmund G. Eldridge, services,	\$100.00
Elmer E. Landers, “	100.00
Thomas D. Crowell, “	100.00
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	\$300.00

CLERK.

Francis P. Vincent, services,	\$40.00
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TREASURER.

Zenas D. Linton, services,	\$100.00
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COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

Zenas D. Linton, services, 1898,	\$300.00
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AUDITOR.

Herbert L. Norton, services,	\$25.00
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SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

School Committee, services,	\$75.00
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HEALTH OFFICERS.

Job H. Gorham, services,	\$25.00
George P. Briggs, “	25.00
Charles W. Norton, “	25.00
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	\$75.00

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

Andrew P. Averill, salary as Superintendent of Schools, February 10th, 1901, to Febru- ary 10, 1902,	\$387.60
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SCHOOLS AND TRANSPORTATION OF SCHOLARS.

Henry H. Harriman, salary as principal, nine months and one week at \$75 per month,	\$693.75
Elizabeth H. Norman, salary, three months and three weeks at \$50 per month,	187.50
Salary, five and one-half months at \$55.56 per month,	305.58
Harriette D. Royal, salary, seven months and one week at \$40 per month,	290.00
Edith Ames, salary, nine months and one week at \$40 per month,	370.00
Lucy E. Loring, salary, nine months and one week at \$40 per month,	370.00
Emily J. Odiorne, salary, two months at \$40 per month,	80.00
Stella M. Moulton, salary, nine months and one week at \$30 per month,	277.50
Katheryn F. Royal, salary, eight months and one week, at \$30 per month,	247.50
Margaret Rand, teaching one month,	30.00

Emma Norton, transportation of scholars, 36 weeks at \$7 per week,	\$252.00
Samuel Q. Rice, services as janitor, 38 weeks at \$9 per week,	342.00
Fred W. Smith, services as janitor, 4 weeks at \$9 per week,	36.00
David J. Barney, coal and wood,	210.00
H. L. Norton & Co., coal,	168.46
Frank W. Chase, wood,	4.00
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	\$3,864.29

SCHOOL EXPENSES.

Educational Publishing Co., books,	\$1.09
Edward E. Babb & Co., books,	8.60
Ginn & Co., readers, history, etc.,	20.58
F. S. Brightman, tablets, paper, etc.,	20.70
Silver, Burdette & Co., books,	10.40
American Book Co., books,	8.24
D. C. Heath & Co., literary studies, etc.,	17.43
Houghton, Mifflin & Co., civil government,	5.10
Globe School Co., books,	2.88
J. L. Hammett, & Co., school supplies,	11.02
H. C. Chadwick, supplies,	6.36
George W. Mason, express and postage,	.73
James G. Norton, alcohol,	1.00
A. M. Mahoney, labor,	4.50
Cottage City Water Co., water rate,	9.50
J. D. King, supplies,	6.50
John L. Mayhew, plumbing and supplies,	158.29
Cottage City Water Co., supply 4 schools,	21.00
E. H. Matthews, rent of piano,	8.50
Joseph Dias, flag,	2.50
A. Flanagan Co., books,	2.00
P. & F. Corbin, locks and keys,	6.40

Instructor Publishing Co., books,	\$1.57
Henry Holt & Co., books,	4.00
David J. Barney, hardware, etc.,	4.34
A. P. Averill, expenses to Boston,	8.10
E. G. Eldridge, insurance on books and supplies,	12.00
F. W. Smith, taking school census,	5.00
H. B. Howland, clocks,	12.00
F. D. Tripp, supplies,	1.09
Landers & Doane, printing,	7.00
T. H. Chirgwin, hose,	7.00
A. A. Buzzell, labor and supplies,	22.88
H. H. Rice, lumber,	5.45
John L. Mayhew, labor, pipe, etc.,	25.46
F. D. Tripp, grate, etc.,	8.25
Masury, Young & Co., supplies,	13.00
H. N. Pease, supplies,	6.31
H. H. Harriman, music, etc.,	1.06
E. H. Norman, books,	6.96
Fred W. Smith, services as truant officer,	25.00
E. E. Silvey, pipe,	1.54
Ziegler Electric Co., supplies,	.93
A. DeLongo, rent of piano,	15.00
Robert D. Robinson, painting and setting glass,	25.20
A. A. Buzzell, express, etc.,	3.49
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	\$555.95

Fire Department

FIREMEN.

Steamer Co. No. 1, services of 13 men 6 months,	\$32.50
Services of 5 men 4 months,	8.25
Services of men,	40.86
Hydrant Hose Co., services of 16 men 6 months,	40.00
Services of men,	38.34

Hook and Ladder Co., services of 10 men 6 months,	25.00
Services of 1 man 3 months,	1.26
Services of 10 men 6 months,	25.00
Services of 1 man 4 months,	1.67
Chemical Contest Co. No. 2, services of men,	30.00
Services of men,	29.59
Highland Hose Co. No. 2, services of 9 men 6 months,	22.50
Services of men,	22.92
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	\$317.89

ENGINEER STEAMER No. 1.

Samuel E. McDonald, services one year,	\$150.00
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FIREMAN STEAMER No. 1.

Daniel M. Bradley, services one year,	\$15.00
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STEWARD STEAMER HOUSE AND TOWN HALL.

Everett Joy, services one year,	\$149.16
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STEWARD HYDRANT HOSE HOUSE.

William H. Parsons, services one year,	\$35.00
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STEWARD HIGHLAND HOSE HOUSE.

Sylvanus S. Carter, services one year,	\$25.00
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STEWARD CHEMICAL No. 2 HOUSE.

Joseph J. Cawthorn, services 6 months,	\$12.50
Henry Applebee, services six months,	12.50
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	\$25.00

CLERK, BOARD OF ENGINEERS.

Herbert A. Eddy, services one year,	\$20.00
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SUPERINTENDENT OF FIRE ALARM.

John L. Mayhew, services one year,	\$25.00
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CARE OF FIRE ALARM BATTERY.

Everett Joy, services,	\$75.00
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FUEL AND LIGHTS.

Cottage City Gas Co., gas and fixtures at Steamer House, Hydrant Hose House and Chemical House,	\$89.00
David J. Barney, coal and wood,	72.76
H. L. Norton & Co., coal,	10.50
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	\$172.26

CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

George M. Stevens, labor and supplies,	\$107.37
Cornelius Callahan, labor and supplies,	18.90
Waterford Engine Works, glass,	1.68
Cochrane Co., vitriol,	4.29
H. A. Eddy, labor,	1.65
Abbie D. Vedder, rent of room for hose carriage,	12.00
C. E. Taylor, hauling hose wagon,	3.00
Wm. Norton, Jr., screws,	.59
John L. Mayhew, labor, pipe and fittings,	13.21
W. A. Chadwick, services as janitor Hook and Ladder rooms,	10.00
H. H. Rice, lumber,	5.08
N. D. Webb, hauling hose wagon to fires,	10.00
Landers & Doane, printing,	8.00
H. E. Galley, hauling hose wagon to fires,	12.00
W. A. Norton, hauling hook and ladder to fires,	3.00
John L. Mayhew, pipe, jars and fittings,	13.41
H. A. Eddy, stock and labor,	1.65
J. L. Mayhew, labor,	15.00
C. E. Taylor, hauling hose carriage to fire,	3.00
W. H. Parsons, labor,	8.00
E. S. Bowman, labor,	1.00

H. A. Eddy, labor and stock,	\$3.82
J. A. Pratt, hauling steamer to fire,	5.00
Walter Pierce, hauling hose reel to fire,	9.00
Cottage City Gas Co., gas at steamer house,	3.80
Manuel M. Silvia, hauling steamer to fire,	2.50
A. A. Buzzell, freight and telephone,	1.30
S. S. Carter, stock and labor,	1.75
Landers & Doane, printing letter heads,	2.00
Zenas D. Linton, hardware, rope etc.,	2.91
A. R. Norton, hauling fire apparatus to fire,	6.00
C. L. Scranton, envelopes,	1.34
A. A. Buzzell, brilliant,	8.90
Charles K. Cole, labor,	5.20
D. M. Bradley, labor on fire alarm,	3.40
E. S. Bowman, repairing fire apparatus,	17.10
Cottage City Water Co., water at engine houses,	24.00
John L. Mayhew, labor and supplies,	17.85
Andrew Warren, repairing steamer room,	37.30
H. N. Pease, oil, brooms, etc.,	3.19
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	\$409.19

State Aid.

John Spaulding,	\$72.00
William W. Smith,	72.00
Aaron F. Raymond,	60.00
David Benson,	48.00
James Casey,	48.00
Joseph Besse,	16.00
Joseph F. Tripp,	4.00
Mary J. Leighton,	48.00
Elizabeth T. Smith,	48.00
Serena E. Smith,	48.00

Mary A. Edson,	\$48.00
M. S. Luther,	48.00
Antoinette J. Dalton,	48.00
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	\$608.00

Health Expenses.

Edson Mfg. Co., force pump, hose etc.,	\$146.80
Walker & Worth, vaccinating pupils,	15.60
George P. Briggs, labor, stationery etc.,	8.49
Landers & Doane, printing and advertising,	28.40
Charles W. Norton, labor,	20.66
James G. Norton, barrels,	2.00
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	\$221.95

Night Watchman.

LaRoy S. Lewis, services from March 1st, 1901, to March 1st, 1902,	\$450.00
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Public Library.

Thomas D. Crowell, Treas., amount of appropriation at annual meeting, 1901.	\$150.00
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Hydrants.

Cottage City Water Co., for rental of 51 hydrants from November 15th, 1900, to November 15th, 1901,	\$2,040.00
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Amusement Fund.

Eugene Hayden, subscription to band,	\$500.00
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Memorial Day.

Sherman T. Meara, amount of appropriation at annual town meeting,	\$25.00
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Public Parks.

Park Commissioners, amount of appropriation at
annual town meeting, \$300.00

Water in Cemetery.

Cottage City Water Co., pipe and labor. \$100.00

Sanitary Arrangements at School House.

Andrew Warren, building cess-pools,	\$52.00
Edward E. Silvey, pipe,	14.99
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	\$66.99

Concrete Beach Road.

Road Commissioners, appropriation at annual
town meeting, \$972.36

NOTE.—See Road Commissioners' report for items.

Extension Concrete, Beach Road.

Road Commissioners, for extension concrete to
Lagoon Bridge, \$100.00

NOTE.—See Road Commissioners' report for items.

Repairs of Concrete.

Road Commissioners, appropriation at annual
town meeting, \$850.00

NOTE.—See Road Commissioners' report for items.

Collection of Swill and Garbage.

Joseph Banardo, collecting swill and garbage for
season 1901. \$275.00

Sweeping Streets.

Road Commissioners, amount of appropriation at
annual town meeting, \$150.00

Bulkheads and Bridges,

Road Commissioners, amount of appropriation at annual town meeting,	\$100.00
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Catch Basins and Drains.

Road Commissioners, amount of appropriation at annual town meeting.	\$50.00
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Repairs of Roads.

Road Commissioners, amount of appropriation at annual town meeting,	\$100.00
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Police.

Hatch & Co., rent of rooms,	\$50.00
Jason L. Dexter, services as Chief of Police from July 1st to Sept. 1901.	\$233.38
Eli A. Leighton, services as police officer from July 6th to September 8th, 1901,	130.00
Fourteen nights police duty,	14.00
LaRoy S. Lewis, services,	59.00
Fourteen nights police duty,	14.00
Samuel Q. Rice, services,	2.00
A. L. Nichols, supplies,	2.85
Southern Mass. Tel.Co., rental of telephone,	15.00
Cottage City Gas Co., gas at police office,	17.60
Samuel Q. Rice, watching night of July 3d,	2.00
David J. Barney, " " "	2.00
Charles W. Norton, " " "	2.00
George W. Bowker, " " "	2.00
George P. Briggs, " " "	2.00
Herbert A. Eddy, " " "	2.00
Sylvanus S. Carter, " " "	2.00
John B. Chandler, " " "	2.00
Thomas McGrath, " " "	2.00

John McGrath,	watching night of July 3d,	\$2.00
Roy Bunker,	“ “ “	2.00
John E. Sandiford,	“ “ “	2.00
Samuel McDonald,	“ “ “	2.00
Robert D. Robinson,	“ “ “	2.00
Nathan D. Webb,	“ “ “	2.00
Joseph F. Perry,	“ “ “	2.00

\$569.83

Lighting Streets.

Cottage City Gas and Electric Light Co., electric lights, (contract),	\$2,916.69
Electric lights, Atlantic Avenue,	75.00
Electric lights, Niantic Park,	75.00
Extra electric lights, July 3d and 4th,	20.00
Street lights, (gas),	615.83
Street lights, (oil),	138.95
John L. Mayhew, repairing lanterns,	5.71
Everett Joy, painting lanterns and setting glass,	24.05
LaRoy S. Lewis, lighting lamps one month,	12.00

\$3,883.23

Support of Poor.

Westboro Insane Hospital, board of Anna F. Watson,	\$169.46
Medfield Insane Asylum, board of Thomas H. Norton,	146.00
City of New Bedford, supplies to Joshua O. Snell.	7.50
burial of Philomena Tavares,	8.00
board of Bridget Tribble,	11.14
Mary E. Rowe, board of children,	156.00
E. L. Merry, board of Fannie W. Norton,	192.00
Margaret P. Gough, board and care of Joseph Lang,	158.00

John Randolph, board and care of Joseph Lang,	\$238.00
Hannah B. Devoll, board of Marianna Ripley,	40.50
C. F. Lane, medical attendance, Manuel Noons,	34.00
Sarah Wentworth, board of Susan Dix,	4.00
City of Springfield, fare to Cottage City of Mattie L. Watson,	4.09
W. S. Jernegan, attendance, Delia Wilkinson,	10.91
City of Brockton, board of Julia Webquish,	35.00
Job H. Gorham, funeral expenses of Silas P. Dix and Susan Dix.	55.64
John Martin, board of Owens,	6.00
M. V. C. M. Association, lease, Marianna Ripley,	12.00
Zenas D. Linton, supplies to Mrs. Gardiner,	20.00
supplies to Amelia Silvia,	45.00
Mariano Joaquin, supplies to Manuel Nunes,	8.19
Eli A. Leighton, conveying patient to Tewkes- bury,	15.24
conveying Owen to State Farm, Bridgwa- ter,	14.60
M. S. DeBettencourt, rent of Mary Rowe,	28.00
wood for Mary Rowe,	4.00
T. J. Walker, medical attendance, Julia Lopez,	17.80
medical attendance, Joseph Lang,	90.10
consultation, (Dr. Jernegan), Delia Wilk- inson,	10.00
medical attendance, H. A. Watson,	15.50
F. D. Tripp, supplies to Mrs. Dix,	1.25
Job H. Gorham, funeral expenses, Nellie Mar- shall,	12.00
Vincent Bros., supplies to P. A. Smith,	3.24
supplies to Amelia Silvia,	20.42
T. S. Swift, supplies to Edward Doran,	7.25
H. L. Norton & Co., coal and wood, Amelia Silvia,	16.70

coal and wood to Mrs. Gardner,	\$25.50
coal and wood to Mary Rowe,	7.75
wood to Marianna Ripley,	1.60
Horatio N. Pease, supplies to Marianna Ripley,	19.25
David J. Barney, coal and wood to Mrs. Gardner,	1.50
coal and wood to S. J. Lee,	5.13
coal and wood to Mary Rowe,	29.25
wood to Amelia Silvia,	1.50
wood to Marianna Ripley,	7.75
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	\$1,716.76

Incidentals.

Landers & Doane, 450 annual Town reports,	\$86.00
extra table work,	8.00
printing warrant and ballots,	24.00
printing notices, tax receipts, etc.,	62.99
William M. Butler, services as town counsel,	25.00
Cottage City Gas Co., gas at selectmen's room,	
Town hall and Hydrant House house,	32.40
John B. Chandler, watch in tower from March	
1st, to April 1st, 1901,	40.00
watch in tower three nights,	4.00
Zenas D. Linton, expense of tax sale,	26.80
expense on loans, stationery, etc.,	56.20
F. P. Vincent, recording births, marriages and	
deaths,	13.90
services as clerk, board of registrars,	10.00
services, town clerk's meeting,	2.50
services election day,	2.50
work on valuation book,	40.00
stamps, stationery, etc.,	8.85
L. C. Wimpenney, making abstract for assessors,	15.00
LaRoy S. Lewis, services posting warrants etc.,	7.12
services as janitor selectmen's rooms,	15.00

H. L. Norton & Co., coal, selectmen's room,	\$10.50
E. H. Matthews, labor on wharf,	12.08
John L. Mayhew, fitting keys,	.75
Edmund G. Eldridge, services as registrar of voters,	5.00
militia roll and dog census,	2.50
services state election,	2.50
Elmer E. Landers, services as registrar of voters	5.00
militia roll and dog census,	2.50
services state election,	2.50
Thomas D. Crowell, services as registrar of voters,	5.00
militia roll and dog census,	2.50
services state election,	2.50
David J. Barney, coal and wood, selectmen's room,	16.13
Charles, L. Scranton, envelopes,	21.20
F. S. Brightman, books,	24.76
T. D. Crowell, expenses to Boston, account of electric lights,	9.00
J. L. Fairbanks, register,	3.75
E. G. Eldridge, expenses to Boston, account of electric lights,	9.00
expenses to Boston, account of loans, administering oaths, etc.,	14.85
W. S. Jernegan, services as inspector of cattle,	16.00
H. L. Tilton, supplies,	3.72
W. A. Norton, use of team,	1.50
Charles F. Gough, labor on pound,	5.03
Frank D. Tripp, supplies town hall,	7.50
Estate E. G. Beetle, services as inspector of animals, 1900,	12.00
T. J. Walker, returns of births,	1.25
W. S. Jernegan, services as inspector of animals,	24.50

Road Commissioners, account of Lagoon Bridge,	\$30.26
Job H. Gorham, reporting deaths,	4.25
O. F. Gregory, advertising,	10.00
H. R. Applebee, painting band stand at wharf,	21.50
W. H. Davis, painting fountain,	4.75
E. A. Leighton, posting warrants, attending election,	4.00
Eugene Hayden, rent of tower for watchman,	16.67
Frank D. Tripp, supplies to selectmen's room,	13.80
E. R. Smith, services election day,	2.50
George A. Burgess, services election day and town meeting,	5.00
Otis Foss, attending hearing at Boston, and ser- vices as moderator,	18.20
Robert D. Robinson, stock and labor,	21.00
John H. Crowell, surveying Laurel Avenue,	24.30
A. A. Buzzell, repairing roof, town hall,	1.67
E. S. Bowman, repairing settees, etc.,	1.25
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	\$882.93

Amount of Orders Drawn

BY THE SELECTMEN, 1901-1902.

Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor,	\$100.00
Assessors,	300.00
Town Clerk,	40.00
Treasurer,	100.00
Collector of Taxes, salary for 1898,	300.00
Auditor,	25.00
School Committee,	75.00
Board of Health,	75.00
Superintendent of schools,	387.60
Schools and transportation of scholars,	3,864.29
School expenses,	555.95
Firemen,	317.89
Engineer, Steamer No. 1,	150.00
Fireman, Steamer No. 1,	15.00
Steward, Steamer House and Town Hall,	149.16
Steward, Hydrant Hose House,	35.00
Steward, Highland Hose House,	25.00
Steward, Chemical House No. 2,	25.00
Clerk, Board of Engineers,	20.00
Superintendent of fire alarm,	25.00
Care of fire alarm battery,	75.00
Fuel and lights, fire department,	172.26
Contingent expenses of fire department,	409.19
State Aid,	608.00

Health expenses,	\$221.95
Night watchman,	450.00
Public Library,	150.00
Hydrant rental, 51 hydrants,	2,040.00
Amusement fund,	500.00
Memorial Day,	25.00
Public parks,	300.00
Water in cemetery,	100.00
Sanitary arrangements, school house	66.99
Concrete on Beach Road,	972.36
Extension of concrete, Beach road,	100.00
Repairs of concrete,	850.00
Collection of swill and garbage,	275.00
Sweeping streets,	150.00
Bulkheads and bridges,	100.00
Catch basins and drains,	50.00
Repairs of roads,	100.00
Police,	569.83
Lighting streets,	3,883.23
Support of poor,	1,716.76
Incidentals,	882.93
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	\$21,353.39
Orders paid, (see Treasurer's account)	\$20,871.24
Orders unpaid,	482.15
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	\$21,353.39

List of Jurors.

List of names selected by the Selectmen, to be placed in the juror's box, from which to draw grand and traverse jurors, to be presented to the town for acceptance at the annual meeting, March 10, 1902.

Applebee, Henry R. W., Painter,	Look, Frank L., Merchant,
Besse, Charles T., Laborer,	Look, Thomas F., Carpenter,
Bartlett, Lewis, Superintendent,	Mayhew, Joseph L., Clerk,
Carlson, Charles F., Clerk,	Norton, James G., Pharmacist,
Cawthorn, Charles H., Druggist,	Rice, Frank F., Clerk,
Chadwick, Warren A., Clerk,	Rice, Henry H., Merchant,
Chase, Frank W., Farmer,	Sackett, Louis. Clerk,
Daggett, Hiram, Farmer,	Sandiford, John E., Painter,
Eddy, Herbert A., Contractor,	Silvey, Edward E., Plumber,
Francis, Isaac H, Painter,	Smith, Frederick W., Broker,
Ellinwood, Truman J., Retired,	Smith, George A., Farmer,
Gorham, Job H., Undertaker,	Stratton, George H., Painter,
Greene, Hamilton J., Superintend't	Swift, Timothy S., Grocer,
Hicks, Sidney S., Merchant,	Tripp, Frank C., Painter,
Joy, Everett, Painter,	Vanderhoof, William A , Agent.

EDMUND G. ELDRIDGE,	}	Selectmen
ELMER E. LANDERS,		of
THOMAS D. CROWELL,		Cottage City.

Cottage City, February 15, 1902.

RECAPITULATION.

Unexpended.	Appropriations.	Departments.	Expenditures.	Overdrawn.
	\$100 00	Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor,.....	\$100 00	
	300 00	Assessors,.....	300 00	
	40 00	Town Clerk,.....	40 00	
	100 00	Treasurer,.....	100 00	
	300 00	Collector of Taxes, 1898,.....	300 00	
	25 00	Auditor,.....	25 00	
	75 00	School Committee,.....	75 00	
	75 00	Board of Health,.....	75 00	
	387 50	Superintendent of Schools, including amount from State, Schools and Transportation of Scholars, including School Fund and Dog Tax.....	387 60	\$ 10
	3,449 78	School Expenses and Sanitary Arrangements, School House	3,864 29	414 51
\$77 06	700 00	Firemen,.....	622 94	
77 11	395 00	Engineer, Steamer No. 1,.....	317 89	
	150 00	Fireman, Steamer No. 1,.....	150 00	
84	15 00	Steward, Steamer House and Town Hall,.....	15 00	
	150 06	Steward, Hydrant Hose House,.....	149 16	
	35 00	Steward, Highland Hose House,.....	35 00	
	25 00	Steward, Chemical Hose No. 2,.....	25 00	
	25 00	Clerk, Board of Engineers,.....	25 00	
	25 00	Superintendent of Fire Alarm,.....	20 00	
	75 00	Care Fire Alarm Battery,.....	25 00	
17 74	190 00	Fuel and Lights, Fire Department,.....	75 00	
	350 00	Contingent Expenses, Fire Department,	172 26	59 19
	608 00	State Aid, Refunded by the State,	409 19	
	50 00	Health Expenses,.....	608 00	
100 00	550 00	Night Watchman, and Care of Street Light,	221 95	171 95
			450 00	

150 00	Public Library,.....	150 00
2,040 00	Hydrant Rental,.....	2,040 00
500 00	Amusement Fund,.....	500 00
25 00	Memorial Day,.....	25 00
300 00	Public Parks,.....	300 00
	Water in Cemetery,.....	100 00
300 00	Aid Publication of the History of the Town,.....	
1,000 00	Concrete and Extension of Concrete, Beach Road,.....	1,072 36
850 00	Repairs of Concrete,.....	850 00
200 00	Collection of Swill and Garbage,.....	275 00
150 00	Sweeping Streets,.....	150 00
100 00	Bulkheads and Bridges,.....	100 00
50 00	Catch Basins and Drains,.....	50 00
100 00	Repairs of Roads,.....	100 00
500 00	Police,.....	569 83
3,000 00	Lighting Streets,.....	3,883 23
850 00	Support of Poor,.....	1,716 76
1,000 00	Incidentals,.....	882 93
2,023 11	Balance,.....	
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22,712 93		\$21,353 39
		\$2,712 93

Tax Collections.

SETTLEMENT WITH ZENAS D. LINTON, COLLECTOR OF TAXES,
1898.

Commitment July 28, 1898,	\$27,871.98
Interest collected,	248.88
	\$28,120.86

Collected in 1898,	\$20,295.46
“ 1899,	4,288.87
“ 1900,	925.89
“ 1901,	1,815.05

Property held by the town, and ex- emptions, and abatements al- lowed,	795.59
	\$28,120.86

COLLECTIONS FOR 1899.

ZENAS D. LINTON, COLLECTOR.

Balance uncollected, Feb. 18, 1901,	\$3,612.54
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Paid in during the year :—

March and April,	\$161.76
May and June,	399.46
August and September,	244.15
October, November, December,	187.63
January and February,	245.70
	\$1,238.70

Uncollected,	\$2,373.84
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COLLECTIONS FOR 1900.

FRANCIS P. VINCENT, COLLECTOR.

Balance uncollected Feb. 18, 1901,	\$8,551.11
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Paid in during the year :—

March and April,	\$733.69	
May and June,	467.69	
July and August,	1,878.22	
September and October,	635.62	
November and December,	367.96	
January and February,	217.22	
	<hr/>	\$4,300.40

Uncollected,	<hr/> \$4,250.71
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COLLECTIONS FOR 1901.

FRANCIS P. VINCENT, COLLECTOR.

Commitment Aug. 1, 1901,	\$29,786.24
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Paid in during the year :—

August,	\$6,026.08	
September,	4,718.73	
October,	6,185.74	
November,	2,890.32	
December,	427.39	
January,	596.31	
February,	406.49	
	<hr/>	\$21,251.06

Uncollected,	<hr/> \$8,535.18
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Treasurer's Report.

ZENAS D. LINTON, TREASURER,

IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF COTTAGE CITY,

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Cash on hand,	\$2.747.11
Temporary loan, Joseph Parker,	5,000.00
Temporary loan, Joseph Parker,	5,000.00
Temporary loan, Martha's Vineyard Bank,	3,000.00
Temporary loan,	1,000.00
Collection of taxes, 1898,	1,815.05
Collection of taxes, 1899,	1,238.70
Collection of taxes, 1900,	4,300.40
Collection of taxes, 1901,	21,251.06
Corporation and Bank tax,	220.17
Income, school fund,	100.00
State Board of Charity,	3.00
Fines, District Court,	2.92
Dog tax,	109.78
State Aid,	600.00
Inspection of Animals,	12.00
Street Railroad Tax,	420.68
Carriage and baggage licenses,	35.60
Pool and billiards,	11.00
Auctioneers licenses,	4.00
Peddlers licenses,	12.00

Superintendent of Schools,	\$312.50
Interest of I. Norton bequest,	12.00
Tisbury, Lagoon Bridge,	93.48
W. E. Doane, Fire Dept.,	1.80
Burial indigent soldier,	35.00
License and intelligence fees,	4.00
Reimbursement from Samuel Virgin, account of S. J. Lee,	19.72
Sale, Susan Dix Cottage,	20.00
Druggists licenses,	3.00
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	\$47,384.37

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Principal of note, State,	\$1,500.00
Interest on above,	30.00
Principal of note, M. V. Bank,	2,000.00
Interest on above,	50.00
Principal of note, Jose Parker,	5,000.00
Interest on above,	111.66
Principal of note,	5,000.00
Interest on above,	118.83
Principal of note, Malden Bank,	1,000.00
Interest,	40.00
Part payment of note, W. H. Davis,	1,000.00
Interest,	110.00
Interest on note, \$3,000.00, Chas. Weil,	120.00
Interest on two notes, M. V. Bank, \$3,000.00	324.83
Interest on note, estate of E. G. Beetle,	75.00
Interest on note, C. T. Luce, \$1,600.00,	80.00
Interest on four notes for \$10,000.00,	800.00
Interest on four notes for \$7,000.00,	160.00
Interest on one note, N. B. I. for Savings,	125.00
Interest on note, Malden Savings Bank,	320.00

Interest, State Treasurer, sundry accounts and	
State tax,	\$1,034.50
Burial of indigent soldiers,	35.00
Druggist license to State,	.75
County Treasurer, Lagoon bridge,	70.50
Court fees,	19.75
Rand & McNally, from school fund,	18.00
County tax,	3,297.99
Outstanding orders,	487.24
Road Commissioners,	136.28
Orders paid during the year,	20,871.24
Balance,	3,447.80
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	\$47,384.37

Liabilities and Assets.

LIABILITIES.

Bonds, Malden Savings Bank,	\$7,000.00
Bonds, Joseph Parker,	10,000.00
Bonds, State,	10,000.00
Bonds, Charles Weil & Co.,	3,000.00
Bonds, N. B. I. for Savings,	2,500.00
Bonds, Charles T. Luce,	4,600.00
Bonds, Estate E. G. Beetle,	3,000.00
Temporary loans,	10,000.00
Outstanding orders,	482.15
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	\$50,582.15

ASSETS.

Uncollected taxes,	\$15,159.02
Deeds of land sold for taxes,	500.00
Cash in the treasury,	3,447.80
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	\$19,106.82

NOTE:—The Ichabod Norton bequest now amounts to \$952.78. There is deposited in the New Bedford Institution for Savings, \$359.35, and invested at 6 per cent. interest, \$200.00. The balance of \$393.43 is in the treasury.

Town Clerk's Report.

Report of Births, Marriages and Deaths.

BIRTHS, 1901.

DATE.		NAME OF CHILD.	SEX.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
February	7	Mora E. Norton,	F	William, Jr., and Almira B.
March	12	Antone Soares,	M	Manuel and Amelia.
April	26	Rodney F. Dutcher,	M	William H. and Charlotte M.
June	15	Willie S. de Bettencourt,	M	Manuel S. and Annie.
"	16	Eleanor M. Ripley,	F	William B. and Adalyn.
"	25	John Mills Soares,	M	Manuel M. and Mary.
July	19	—— Goddard,	M	Edward S. and Ayne.
September	20	—— Waylent,	F	Thomas F. and Delia.
"	25	Chandea Pachico,	F	Joseph and Maria.
October	20	Annie Nunes,	F	Manuel and Mary.
November	30	Faith Carleton Gorham,	F	Wilson S. and Mae C.
December	29	Florence H. Norton,	F	Allen R. and Elizabeth.

MARRIAGES

DATE.	NAMES OF PARTIES.	RESIDENCE.	AGE.	PLACE OF BIRTH.
January 16	William W Boardman, Amelia M. Chandler,	Westport, Mass. Cottage City,	21 18	Fall River, Mass. Cottage City.
April 8	James H. Mason, Jeanette May Nye,	Taunton, Cottage City,	31 21	Taunton, Mass. Cottage City.
May 20	Frank Benard, Rosa C Maderias,	" " " "	21 18	Azores. Azores.
June 25	George E. Aldrich, Marie A. G de la Barriere,	" " " "	30 21	Worcester, Mass. Paris. France.
July 9	Frank L. Look, Laura M. Walker,	" " Edgartown,	39 33	Tisbury, Mass. Edgartown, Mass.
" 27	Alfred F. Robinson, Elsie M. Hill,	West Falmouth, " "	25 18	Nantucket, Mass. West Falmouth, Mass.
October 23	Herbert L. Norton, Leila Clifton Nye,	Cottage City, " "	35 28	Edgartown, Mass. " "
" 30	Manuel M. Silvia, Mary R. Andrews,	" " " "	26 22	Azores. " "
" 31	Francisco Fineira, Rose de Amor Divino,	New Bedford, " "	24 20	" " " "
December 4	Zebulon N. Tilton, Edith Mayhew,	Chilmark, " "	35 23	Chilmark, Mass. " "
" 9	Frederick L Norton, Annie F. Duart,	Tisbury, Cottage City,	22 23	Tisbury, Mass. Edgartown, Mass.
" 25	Stanley E. Rodgers, Birdie M. Holt Ripley.	" " " "	23 20	Hartford, Conn. Portland, Me.

DEATHS.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.			CAUSE OF DEATH.
		Y.	M.	D.	
February 1	Silas Dix	69			Apoplexy.
" 5	Harriet A. Watson,	72		5	Valvular Disease of Heart.
" 9	Susan Dix,	70			Valvular Disease of Heart.
April 5	Kate J. Norton.	24	1	21	Disease of Brain and Spine.
" 14	Richard N. Madeiros,		4		Ptomaine Poisoning
" 14	Mary A. Givens,	80	1	9	Heart Failure.
" 26	Jeremiah Weston Swift,	62	3	12	Chronic Nephritis.
May 4	*Alice Vincent Robie,		5		La Grippe.
" 7	Joseph Besse,	65			Cerebella Artaxia.
July 17	*Mary A. Handy,	65			Pneumonia.
" 20	* ——— Gddard,			12	Asphyxia
August 31	*Mary E. Rhodes,	61	8	8	Apoplexy
September 2	Mary N. Mesquita,		8		Cholera Infantum.
" 8	*Mildred C. Bowen,	1		1	Cerebral Meningitis.
" 14	Charles Snow,	72	7	4	Valvular Disease of the Heart
" 14	Annis M. Chase,	69	2	11	Fatty Degeneration of the Heart.
" 21	Maggie Costodio,	1	7		Tonsillitis.
" 21	Shubael Hawes Norton,	73	2	9	Enlargement of the Liver.
October 5	Susan E. Ripley,	57	8	5	Dropsy.
" 12	Fred O. Luce,	46	5	20	Incised Wound of Throat and Gunshot Wound of Head.
" 13	Nellie Marshall,	50	7		Acute Gastritis.
" 19	Mark H. Cornell,	65			Valvular Disease of the Heart.
December 14	*Orville W. Cranston,	65	9	10	Suppurative Nephritis.
" 22	Michael Harrington,	36			Heart Failure.

*Non-Residents.

SUMMARY.

Following are the statistics of births, marriages and deaths :—

BIRTHS.

Whole number of births, 12. Males, 5. Females, 7.

MARRIAGES.

Whole number of marriages, 12.

DEATHS.

Whole number of deaths, 24. Males, 11. Females, 13.
Residents, 18. Non-residents, 6.

Dog Tax Account for the Year 1901.

Whole number of dogs licensed,	61
Males,	56
Females,	5

The amount received for same, less fees, has been remitted to the County Treasurer, receipts taken, and placed on file.

FRANCIS P. VINCENT, Town Clerk.

Road Commissioners' Report.

The Road Commissioners present the following report for the year 1901 :—

SWEEPING STREETS.

Received from Selectmen,		\$150.00
Joseph W. Silvia, labor,	\$156.75	
Linton Worth & Co.,	3.00	159.75
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Overdrawn,		\$9.75

BULKHEADS AND BRIDGES.

Received from Selectmen,		\$100.00
E. G. Mills, labor with team, and stone,	\$46.98	
J. C. Hamblin, labor with team and stone,	13.80	
Manuel Sylvia, labor,	1.60	
John Peters, “	.89	
Frank Pachico, “	.89	
F. P. Bunker, “	.56	
J. S. Cardoza, “	1.50	
H. H. Rice, lumber furnished,	9.27	
S. S. Carter, labor,	7.00	
F. O. Luce,	2.30	
J. C. Hamblin, labor,	1.15	

William Norton, Jr., iron work,	\$2.45	
E. G. Mills, cleaning snow,	6.68	
C. W. Bunker, " "	.50	95.57
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Balance unexpended,		\$4.43

DIRT ROADS.

Received from Selectmen,		\$100.00
J. C. Hamblin, labor with team,	\$55.00	
E. G. Mills, " "	29.75	
F. P. Bunker, labor,	4.60	
Joseph Pachico, "	1.50	
Manuel Medara, "	1.50	
D. J. Barney,	1.00	
John Costa, labor,	3.75	
M. S. DeBettencourt, loam,	3.60	100.70
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Overdrawn,		\$.70

CATCH BASINS.

Received from Selectmen,		\$50.00
George P. Briggs, basin on Highland drive,	\$20.00	
Jules Pachico, labor,	3.00	
John Costa, "	6.68	
John D. Sastra, "	.91	
Adrian Sylvia, "	6.82	37.41
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Balance unexpended,		\$12.59

REPAIRS OF CONCRETE.

Received from Selectmen,		\$850.00
New Bedford Gas & Electric Light Co., pitch,	\$28.40	
Linton, Worth & Co., 60 bbls. tar,	150.00	
Linton, Worth & Co., freight on tar,	63.00	

C. F. James, carting tar,	\$7.14	
F. P. Bunker, labor,	44.72	
E. G. Mills, labor with team,	49.04	
John Peters, labor,	23.61	
Frank Pachico, "	21.43	
Manuel Peters, "	15.00	
John C. Hamblin, labor with team,	61.14	
M. M. Silvia, labor,	25.41	
Adrian Sylvia, "	20.34	
Jules Pachico, "	21.50	
James Manese, "	25.41	
Joseph G. Pachico, "	41.40	
Albert Sylvia, "	24.07	
Joe Silvia, "	18.82	
Joe Enos, "	23.41	
Manuel Pachico, "	22.32	
Joseph Mechado, "	22.32	
Manuel Swarz, "	22.32	
New Bedford & Nantucket Steamboat Co., freight,	2.70	
Landers & Doane, 500 bill heads,	2.00	
John L. Mayhew,	2.23	
New Bedford Gas & Electric Light Co., balance tar and pitch bill,	54.62	
Joseph Breck & Sons, screens and barrows,	16.00	
Joseph Dias, oil, 1900,	2.40	
H. N. Pease,	.84	
Linton, Worth & Co.,	13.54	
H. J. Green, 400 loads sand, 1900-1,	20.00	845.13
Unexpended,		<hr/> \$4.87

UNPAID BILLS, LAGOON BRIDGE, REPAIRS OF 1900.

Received from Treasurer of Cottage City,	\$21.38
Received from Selectmen of Vineyard Haven,	114.88
Received from Selectmen of Cottage City,	30.28
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	\$166.54

Bills paid as follows :—

B. C. Cromwell,	\$22.82
Vineyard Grove Co., labor, spikes,	
wharfage,	141.72
Landers & Doane, printing,	2.00
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	\$166.54

CONCRETE, BEACH ROAD TO LAGOON BRIDGE.

Received from Selectmen,	\$1,072.36
E. G. Mills, stone,	\$55.68
J. C. Hamblin, “	58.47
Manuel Sylvia, “	16.80
George H. Smith, “	5.28
Joe Rose, “	9.60
Elisha Smith, “	8.96
E. G. Mills, labor with team,	111.25
John C. Hamblin, “ “ “	114.35
C. F. James, carting tar,	19.20
E. R. Tilton, tools,	2.80
John H. Crowell, survey,	2.00
F. P. Bunker, labor,	57.30
Joseph G. Pachico, “	35.20
Frank Pachico, “	25.67
Joseph M. Cardoza, “	20.50
James Manese, “	31.01
New Bedford Gas & Electric Light	
Co., 86 barrels tar.	290.25
3 barrels pitch,	20.00

Domingo Alley,	labor,	\$21.00	
Joseph Mechado,	"	27.34	
Jules Pachico,	"	28.84	
Manuel N. Sylvia,	"	25.17	
Manuel Pachico,	"	25.35	
Manuel Swarz,	"	25.51	
John Peters,	"	17.83	
F. O. Luce, stock,		12.25	
H. L. Norton & Co., oil and wood,		4.75	
			<hr/> \$1,072.36

Received from Selectmen.	Departments.	Amount Expended
\$850.00	Repairs of Concrete,	\$845.13
1,072.36	Beach Road Concrete,	1,072.36
150.00	Sweeping Streets,	159.75
100.00	Bulkheads and Bridges,	95.57
100.00	Repairs, Dirt Roads,	100.70
50.00	Catch Basins,	37.41
Received from Vineyard Haven and Cottage City for Lagoon Bridge Repairs,		
166.54		166.54
	Balance,	11.44
<hr/> \$2,488.90		<hr/> \$2,488.90

The Road Commissioners find that there are five guide boards in fair condition, and that the street signs need some repairing.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

The Road Commissioners make the following recommendations for the year of 1902 :—

Repairs of Concrete,	\$1,000.00
Bulkheads and Bridges,	250.00
Dirt Roads,	250.00

Protection of Sea View Avenue,	\$250.00
Sweeping Streets,	200.00
Repairs, plank walk,	75.00
Stone bounds,	12.50
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	\$2,037.50

Recommended :— That the town extend the Sea View Avenue concrete to the state road.

Recommended :— That something be done immediately to the Lagoon Bridge draw.

ELIJAH G. MILLS,	}	Road Commissioners
FRANK P. BUNKER,		of
JOHN C. HAMBLIN,		Cottage City.

Health Report.

Fellow Citizens:—

Your Board of Health respectfully submit the following report:—

The board organized in March, 1901, with C. W. Norton as chairman, and George P. Briggs as secretary.

The rules and regulations of 1900 were continued, and ordered printed in the Martha's Vineyard Herald.

The contract for cleaning vaults and emptying cesspools was awarded to N. D. Webb, the work to be according to the rules of the Board of Health; the price to be \$1.25 per load from cesspools, and 50 cents per barrel from vaults; the same to be paid by the parties for whom the work is done.

The contract for collecting swill and garbage from June 15 to October 1, 1901, was awarded to Joe Bernado; the swill and garbage to be collected once a day from all private houses on the Bluffs, and every other day on the Highlands. As the appropriation is not large enough, this does not include hotels and boarding-houses, which are obliged to care for their own refuse. As the parties who agree to take care of them fail to do as agreed, just when most needed, we

would recommend an increase in the appropriation, so that hotels and boarding-houses may be included.

The contract for the removal of ashes and rubbish from June 1st to October 1st, 1901, was also awarded to Joe Bernado for the sum of , the same to be collected twice a month from dwellings. We desire to call your attention to the fact that the ashes and refuse has so grown in the past year that we recommend its more frequent removal, and ask an appropriation for same.

C. W. NORTON, Chairman.

GEO. P. BRIGGS, Secretary,

J. H. GORHAM,

Report of Board of Engineers.

The following report of the Board of Engineers for the year ending March 1st, 1902, is respectfully submitted :

The force consists of seventy-nine men in the following named companies :

Steamer Company No. 1.

Hydrant Hose Company No. 1.

Highland Hose Company No. 2.

Contest Chemical Company No. 2.

Hook and Ladder Company No. 1.

APPARATUS.

One Button Steam Fire Engine.

Two 80 gallon Chemical Engines.

Two Hose Wagons.

One Hook and Ladder Truck.

Two Hose Reels.

Three thousand five hundred feet of hose.

A fire alarm of eleven street boxes, fifteen house alarms, two bell alarms, and a complete cell battery for furnishing electricity to run the same.

FIRES.

1901.

April 27, house of Mary Edson. Damage slight.

May 30, unoccupied house belonging to Manuel Serpa.
Damage \$150.00.

June 3. Slight fire at house of Manuel Cabral. No damage.

June 11, fire at rear of Manuel Vincent's store. Slight damage.

July 17, fire at the house of Adeline Davis estate. Damage \$15.00

RECOMMENDATIONS.

The board would submit the following improvements: to raise a sum of money to build a cesspool at the steamer house to take care of the waste water now running on the avenue in front, making an unsightly appearance during the summer season. Also build an addition on the rear for storage of coal and wood.

A. A. BUZZELL.

ANDREW WARREN.

J. L. MAYHEW.

H. A. EDDY.

GEO. A. BURGESS.

Park Commissioners' Report.

To the Selectmen and Citizens of Cottage City:—

The Park Commissioners submit the following report of their work during the fiscal year 1901:—

Appropriation for parks, 1901,	\$300.00
Unexpended balance, 1900,	10.35

Total,	\$310.35
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1901.

May 2, order to Manuel DeBettencourt, use of land for compost,	\$5.00
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May 5, order to John W. McGrath, account of parks,	50.00
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June 7, order to John W. McGrath, account of parks,	65.00
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June 28, order to W. H. Davis, painting band stand, and fence at Lander's Park,	50.00
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July 30, order to John W. McGrath, account of parks,	50.00
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Aug. 31, order to Cottage City Water Co.,	12.00
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Aug. 31, order to John W. McGrath, account of parks,	55.00
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Oct. 8, order to John E. Sandiford, labor and stock,	17.50
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Total,	\$304.50
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Unexpended balance,	\$5.85
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“It has been the aim of the Park Commissioners for the past year to put forth every effort to produce the best results with the amount of money appropriated for use in this, their department. The park area is so large, and the calls from abutters for improvements so numerous, that the sum of \$500 is not sufficient to meet the wants of all. The Park Commissioners recognize the fact that improvements should be made in proportion to property representation, that may, and does appear so on the face of it, but there is much to be considered in connection with that matter which we cannot embody in this report. The improvements already made on some of the most public of our parks should, and must be, maintained. One fact we trust the people will bear in mind, and that is, that the Park Commissioners serve without pay, and the majority of them have no personal, selfish interest in the matter, but to serve the town and the public faithfully and reasonably. Therefore we invite the co-operation of all tax payers and the public generally in the care for, and protection of all town property on the public parks, and trust an appropriation of \$600.00 will be made for this department for the year 1898.”

S. T. MEARA,

Secretary of the Park Commissioners.

The above was submitted to the voters by the last board of Park Commissioners. The present board are of the same opinion. We would suggest to the Finance Committee, to notify the different boards to meet with them in regard to their appropriations. Unless these conditions are complied with, how are we to understand who knows best?

Trusting the suggestion may commend itself to your judgment, we remain, your public servants.

JOHN E. SANDIFORD, Secretary.

Report of Finance Committee.

The following report of the town Finance Committee, is prepared and tendered to the citizens and tax-payers for their examination and approval.

Firemen,	\$350.00
Engineer, Steamer No. 1,	150.00
Fireman, Steamer No. 1,	15.00
Steward, Steamer House and Town Hall,	150.00
Steward, Hydrant Hose House, and care chemical engine,	35.00
Steward, Highland Hose House,	25.00
Steward, Chemical House No. 2,	25.00
Clerk, Board of Engineers,	20.00
Superintendent of fire alarm,	25.00
Care of fire alarm battery,	75.00
Fuel and lights, fire department,	190.00
Contingent expenses of fire department,	350.00
Incidentals,	1,000.00
Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor,	100.00
Assessors,	300.00
Treasurer,	100.00
School Committee,	75.00
Town Clerk,	40.00
Auditor,	25.00
Superintendent of schools,	75.00
Board of Health,	75.00

Collector of Taxes, salary for 1899,	\$300.00
Night watchman,	450.00
Sweeping streets,	200.00
Repairs of concrete, .	1,000.00
Repairs of Dirt roads,	150.00
Bulkheads and bridges,	250.00
Lighting streets,	4,000.00
Police,	500.00
Public Library,	150.00
Public parks,	300.00
Memorial Day,	50.00
Schools and transportation of scholars,	3,700.00
School expenses, and sanitary work,	500.00
Town debt and interest,	4,500.00
Support of poor,	1,500.00
Collection of swill and garbage,	200.00
Health expenses,	100.00
Hydrant rental,	2,040.00
Amusement fund,	500.00
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	\$23,590.00

NOTE :— Your committee recommend that the town vote to bond \$9,000.00 of its floating debt, as follows :

\$3,000 due in 1909.

3,000 due in 1910.

3,000 due in 1911.

That \$25 of the \$150 for dirt roads be used on the south school-house road.

OTIS FOSS, Chairman.

CHARLES L. SCRANTON, Secretary.

Cottage City, Feb..24, 1902. .

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Term expires 1902.

CHARLES T. LUCE.

GEORGE A. SMITH.

HENRY H. RICE.

Term expires 1903.

HENRY C. CHADWICK.

JOHN E. LOOK.

FRANK J. PERRY.

EUGENE HAYDEN.

Term expires 1904.

FRANK L. LOOK.

OTIS FOSS.

HERBERT A. EDDY.

HERBERT L. NORTON.

CHARLES L. SCRANTON.

Annual Town Meeting.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

DUKES COUNTY. ss.

To either of the Constables in the Town of Cottage City :

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Cottage City, qualified to vote in town affairs and elections, to assemble at the TOWN HALL, in said Cottage City, on MONDAY, THE TENTH DAY OF MARCH, A. D. 1902, at seven o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act upon the following named articles, viz :—

ARTICLE 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ARTICLE 2. To elect the following named town officers :

A Town Clerk.

A Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor for three years.

A Treasurer.

A Collector of Taxes.

Two members of the School Committee for three years.

A member of the School Committee for one year.

A member of the Board of Health for three years.

A member of the Board of Road Commissioners for three years.

A member of the Board of Park Commissioners for three years.

Two Constables.

An Auditor.

And to vote on the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

The polls for the reception of votes for all the aforesaid officers, and said question, will be opened at 7.15 o'clock in the forenoon, and will be closed at 11.15 o'clock in the forenoon, unless a later hour be determined upon by the meeting.

ARTICLE 3. To elect all other necessary town officers.

ARTICLE 4. To hear the reports of Selectmen, Auditor and other committees.

ARTICLE 5. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to pay town debts and appropriations for the ensuing year, and to make appropriations of the same.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire such sums of money as may be necessary in anticipation of taxes for the year 1902, and payable therefrom.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the town will approve the list of persons to serve as jurors, as made out by the Selectmen.

ARTICLE 8. To see what action the town will take relative to night watch.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the town will fix a time for the payment of all taxes assessed, and will direct what rate of interest shall be demanded in case taxes are not paid at the time specified.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the town will instruct the Assessors to remit all such taxes as cannot, in their judgment, be collected.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the town will pay firemen the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the town will accept the provisions of Sec. 335 of Chapter 11 of the Revised Laws and hereafter elect a town clerk for three years, who shall also serve as clerk of the Board of Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the town will instruct its selectmen to appoint an inspector of wires as provided by Sec. 18, of Chapter 122, Revised Laws.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the town will reappropriate the sum of \$300.00 raised last year, for the purchase of sixty copies of the town history.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the town will approve the regulations made by the Board of Engineers as provided by Sections 46 and 47 of Chapter 32 of the Revised Laws.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the town will instruct its Selectmen to control, regulate or prohibit the taking of eels, clams, quohaugs and scallops, within the limits of this town; and to make such other regulations as seems expedient, as provided by Section 85, Chapter 91, Revised Laws.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the town will accept a way leading from Massasoit Avenue to Tuckernuck Avenue, as laid out by the Road Commissioners.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the town will accept a way from Naumkeag Avenue to Circuit Avenue, through the South side of Nashawena Park, as laid out by the Road Commissioners.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the town will accept a way from Naumkeag Avenue to Circuit Avenue, through the North side of Nashawena Park, as laid out by the Road Commissioners.

And to act upon and transact all business which may legally come before said meeting.

Hereof fail not and give public notice by causing this warrant to be published in the Martha's Vineyard Herald, and

by posting two copies thereof in two public places in the town at least seven days before the time of said meeting.

And make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place specified in this warrant.

Given under our hands this first day of March, one thousand nine hundred and two.

EDMUND G. ELDRIDGE,	}	Selectmen
ELMER E. LANDERS,		of
THOMAS D. CROWELL,		Cottage City.

Pursuant to above instructions, I hereby notify and warn the inhabitants of said town of Cottage City, qualified to vote, as expressed in this warrant, to meet at the time and place and for the purpose specified.

LARROY S. LEWIS, Constable.

Cottage City, March 1, 1902.



Annual

School Report,

1901-02.



Superintendent's Report.

To the School Committee of Cottage City:—

I have the honor of submitting to you this my second annual report of the schools of Cottage City, for the year ending March 1, 1902.

It cannot be reiterated too often or emphasized too strongly that a system of schools can never be far behind or far in advance of public opinion. The creation of public sentiment in favor of good schools should, therefore, be one of the chief aims of the friends of popular education.

The year has been one of development all along the line without any startling features. Substantial progress has been made in every branch of the educational work. Teachers do more work than they get credit for, and perform the responsible and indispensable service of educating the youth for a compensation inconsistent with the increased power, skill, and scholarship demanded.

It is to be hoped that the way may be opened for the increase of the wages of all the elementary teachers to the uniform standard of \$40 per month. Can the town afford to pay a less amount to those who have in charge the training of our most precious possessions—our children? It is not merely a matter of justice but of true economy as well.

The teachers returned to their work in September with new enthusiasm and energy gained through the varied use of the summer vacation. A long vacation after only nine months

of school at a low salary leaves many a teacher bordering on financial collapse. Some who cry out against raising the teacher's salary fail to appreciate the fact that teachers receive pay for nine months only. During the remaining months they have large expenses for living, traveling, school, etc. Thus a salary of \$40 for nine months is only \$30 when estimated for the year, for expenses go on whether school does or not. Deducting \$18 for board and room, and at the present rates, this barely covers it, there is left but \$12 out of which the teacher must clothe herself, pay for books, car fare, summer school, church, and the hundred other expenses necessary to maintain her standing as an up-to-date and progressive teacher.

Let us look at this matter from another point of view. Our primary teachers are receiving \$30 a month for nine months. This would equal on the yearly basis to a monthly salary of only \$22.50. Deducting from this amount the cost of board and room, \$18, and a balance of \$4.50 remains with which to defray expenses as enumerated above.

Steps should be taken to enforce the provisions of the compulsory law requiring pupils between seven and fourteen years of age to enter school at the beginning of the year. This provision is necessary, not only for the good the children shall receive, but for the protection of the schools against the disturbances caused by the entrance of truants after classes have made considerable progress in their studies.

We have had an increased enrollment in most departments, and there promises to be a decided increase in high school registration next year.

READING.

The work in reading consists of exercises for drill and supplementary reading. In reading for drill the aim is to get from the pupil sufficient volume of tone, distinct articulation, a pleasing quality of tone, and proper expression. No per-

son can be called a good reader who does not satisfy these requirements. The first three are attained by persistent vocal drill, the last is possible only when the author's thought is thoroughly comprehended. In my opinion the reading lesson requires as careful preparation and as close attention on the part of teacher and pupil as any other study. The lesson should be assigned beforehand, and the pupils should be required to study it carefully. They should make themselves acquainted with the author's thought so that in reading they may give the proper expression.

In supplementary reading the important end to be sought is the ability to read understandingly at sight. No previous preparation is required of the pupil. Only glaring faults in tone, articulation, and pronunciation should be noticed, and these should be mentioned only at the close of the recitation.

ENGLISH.

We have been trying to improve the teaching of English. Language is an object of prime importance in every community, but in localities where the majority of pupils are of foreign parentage an increased amount of attention must be given to it. Our special efforts have been directed towards obtaining from the pupils accurate expression of thought, ready and fluent speech, and an appreciation of good English Literature. The new course in language emphasizes the training in the use of language through all the grades and postpones all study of grammar until the beginning of the seventh year.

HISTORY.

History teaching should stimulate the imagination and the judgment. A course in history has been arranged for each of the nine grades of the elementary school. The work for the first three years consists of the reproduction by the pupils of stories read or told by the teacher. In the Intermediate

grades the work is more largely the reading and reproduction of simple biographical stories exhibiting the lives of men of high character and purpose such as impress the mind with noble aspirations. The early history of our country is full of profitable lessons, and for imparting moral education there is no history so valuable as the biographies of our sturdy pioneers.

In the Grammar grades three years are devoted to the study of United States history based on the text-book and supplemented by reference material to enrich the treatment of important topics, completing the work by a term's study of English history. Illustrations and maps are freely used, and American literature in the form of historical novels, poems, etc., should be brought into close companionship with the events of which they treat.

GEOGRAPHY.

The least satisfactory work is done in geography. It lacks continuity and coherence. The text-book now used in the early grades gives too much prominence to the physical features of the earth's surface, a subject that does not sufficiently appeal to the average pupil of the Intermediate grade. The Tarr and McMurray's geography introduced experimentally for use by the ninth grade is proving very satisfactory. A course in geography is being prepared for next year's use, in which industrial geography will be emphasized in the Intermediate grades, and the study of physical features will be largely postponed to the eighth and ninth grades. The aim is to present work that shall have a great culture as well as an information value to the pupils.

SPELLING.

Spelling has as little educational value as anything taught in the schools, but it has so high a social and business value that it needs to be carefully taught. I believe that a well

graded text-book, or its equivalent, should be used ; that lessons should be assigned for daily study ; that pupils should prepare their lessons by copying for a number of times the words assigned ; that the recitation should be conducted orally, and that this systematic work should be often supplemented with spelling from dictation.

At the close of the fall term Miss Harriette Royal, who had taught the grammar school for five terms, tendered her resignation for the purpose of accepting a position in Maine. The committee filled the vacancy thus produced by the election of Miss Emily Odiorne of Illinois, who began her duties on January 6.

CONCLUSION.

Success in any calling or business depends upon united, continued, intelligent effort. With parents, committee, superintendent, and teachers planning to do what is best for the moral, physical and intellectual advancement of our children, it follows as the effect the cause that we must achieve success.

Respectfully submitted,

ANDREW P. AVERILL,

Superintendent of Schools.

School Statistics for Year Ending June, 1901.

TEACHERS.	Grades.	Salary.	Total Enrollment.	Females.	Males.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per Cent. of Attendance.	Average Pupil	Average Absence per Pupil.	Number of Pupils Not Absent During Year.	Number of Pupils Not Tardy During Year.	Total Number of Visitors	Number of Pupils Between Five and Seven Years of Age.	Number of Pupils Between Seven and Fourteen Years of Age.	Number of Pupils Between Fourteen and Fifteen Years of Age.	Number of Pupils over Fifteen Years of Age.	Enrolled June, 1901.	Enrolled September, 1901.
Henry H. Harriman, Prin.,	XIII.	\$630	21	11	10	18.8	17.7	94.1										17	22
Elizabeth Norman,.....	XII.	\$450																	
	XI.																		
	X.																		
	IX.																		
Harriette D. Royal,.....	VIII.	\$360	55	30	25	50.1	47.4	94.6	9	17.8	2	1	231	0	46	7	2	51	42
Lucy E. Loring,.....	VII.	\$360																	
	VI.																		
	V.																		
Edith Ames,.....	IV.	\$360	28	15	13	24.5	23.3	95.1	5.7	19.1	3	4	224	7	28	0	0	26	38
	III.																		
Katheryn Royal,.....	II.	\$270	35	20	15	27.4	24.9	90.8	7.6	30.9	0	0	103	0	55	0	0	29	19
Stella M. Moulton,.....	I.	\$270	*40	17	23	27.7	24.4.	88	4	41	0	6	175	22	11	0	0	36	25
Totals,.....			179	93	86	148.5	137.7	92.5						29	140	7	2	159	146

*Seven pupils under five years of age.

Principal's Report.

To Mr. A. P. Averill, Superintendent of Schools:

DEAR SIR:—In accordance with your request I have prepared the following report:—

During the past year, many of the changes, mentioned as being necessary, have been accomplished. The attendance has steadily increased, and the sanitary conditions have been partially improved in an excellent manner.

The attendance has been carefully studied, and at present the desired change is how far shall the law be carried to the letter. This may seem an extraordinary statement. I will explain it. At the opening of school in September, the first week, 126 children had been present; during the next five weeks the enrollment has grown to 195; the membership at present is 184 the difference being accounted for in this manner, several have left school or town; owing to change of residence or because they are at least 15 years of age.

Now these children, 58 in number, not present at the opening but straggling in during the first six weeks, are the troubles which it is desired to change. It is caused by the cranberry season. Some go out of town and return at close of harvesting. Some remain in town and go daily to their work up island or out of town, returning at night. The first we cannot prevent; the second we can if public sentiment demands it.

Shall the children be allowed to go daily to work for a few weeks, earning at best small wages, or shall they be obliged to attend school instead? It is an economic question demanding fair consideration and careful judgment, both as to present conditions and future results.

The effect on school work is bad. The teachers are hampered in class work by the incoming of new members, especially when the new comers constitute one fourth of the class. We cannot form extra classes, time is lacking. The teachers cannot give extra time they need for those who are already here, yet the new pupil has rights. The problem must be solved.

There has been an increase in the amount of tardiness, due I am inclined to think to the fact that some do not allow sufficient time for the performance of the usual morning's preparations for the work of the day, a fault easily corrected by taking care. "Promptness is an invaluable virtue."

I trust the work of completing the sanitary conditions will be concluded, which will leave nothing to be desired in that respect.

The teachers are working with me to make the school all that it should be. We feel that we have the support of the people and trust that we shall continue to hold it. The children are in good spirit and are doing good work, giving us good results. Let us strive one and all to keep up the work.

"Still achieving, still pursuing,
Learn to labor, and to wait,"

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY H. HARRIMAN.

Report of School Committee.

It has been the united and harmonious effort of all responsible parties, committee, superintendent, and teachers, to secure the best possible results with the least possible waste, from the expenditure of all the educational forces within their control. The year was commenced with the same corps of excellent teachers who had been employed the year before and who were continued till the resignation of Miss Harriette Royal, at the close of the fall term. Miss Royal had been very successful in the difficult task of bringing under good discipline sixty pupils, and four grades in her room, with the frequent recession of two grades for recitations. Her moral influence over her pupils was of marked, and it is to be hoped, permanent character. Miss Emily I. Odiorne of Illinois was elected to take her place; a lady of ample experience and one who is mistress of her work, and if the school is not all that could be desired, it is all that could be expected under existing conditions. These conditions the committee hope to relieve in a measure by a plan now under consideration.

Working by contract according to specifications is but the framework of successful teaching. True and successful teaching means something which cannot be estimated by commercial values, and which no amount of educational training, methods, or salary can guarantee; it means constant, sympathetic, and exhaustive heart work, which to be at its best

must feel the moral support of the community and more especially, that which it too often lacks, the co-operative influence of the home.

A very great drawback upon the school has been absenteeism at the commencement of the Fall term, an evil which should be remedied, as far as possible, even if drastic measures are required.

By the last report of the State Board of Education, from which there is but little present variation, the cost of each pupil, exclusive of buildings and repairs, was \$26.14, which was 14 per cent of the municipal tax. For this great outlay the state requires the attendance of all children between the age of seven and fourteen years, unless physically disabled. Against this record stands the school register of the current year which shows an average of fifty-five pupils absent the first four weeks of the term. It does not require much thinking to see that this must be an injury to the pupils, an embarrassment and injustice to the teachers, a detriment to the whole school, and a waste of the town's money.

The logic of this report is briefly stated in three points for the government of the committee.

- I. The state law.
- II. The duty of the truant officer to see the law enforced.
- III. The truant officer must be held to his responsibility.

Signed,

JOHN. D. KING.

DAVID J. BARNEY.

HORATIO N. PEASE.

GEORGE W. MASON.

ALFRED A. BUZZELL.

School Calendar.

1902.

Spring term begins March 31 ; closes June 13.

Fall term begins September 15 ; closes December 19.

(one week vacation.)

Winter term begins December 29 ; closes March 13, 1903.

Spring term, 1903, begins March 23 ; closes June 12.

Names of Scholars Enrolled.

Abercombie, Ross
Alley, Antone
Alley, Domingo
Alley, Frank
Alley, George
Andrews, Benjamin
Applebee, Esther
Applebee, Florence
Barney, Ethel L.
Bernado, George
Bernado, John
Bernado, Mary
Bernado, Virginia
Bernado, William
Besse, Bertha E.
Besse, Walter
Blankenship, Frank
Blankenship, William
Bordess, Andrew
Bordess, Manuel
Bordess, Mary
Bowman, Gertrude
Bowman, Warren
Bunker, Charles W.
Bunker, Eva
Bunker, Frank
Bunker, Grace
Burgess, Aurora
Burgess, Joseph
Buzzell, Albert L.
Cawthorn, Arthur
Chandler, Harrie

Chandler, Lester
Charves, Florence
Chase, H. Weston
Churchill, Harold
Cardoza, James
Cardoza, Mary
Cardoza, Mary C.
Correira, Frank
Custadio, Anna
Custadio, Henrietta
Custadio, Louisa
Custadio, Mary
DeBettencourt, Frank S.
DeBettencourt, John S.
DeBettencourt, Joseph S.
DeBettencourt, Manuel S.
DeBettencourt, Mary S.
Dow, Louis E.
Duart, Edward
Duart, Frank
Duart, Joseph
Duart, Joseph S.
Duart, Mary
Dyer, Olivia
Dyer, Russell
Eddy, Bertha
Eldridge, Louise
Eldridge, Susie
Enos, Manuel
Ferreira, Celia
Ferreira, Francis

Ferreira, Jule
 Ferreira, Lizzie
 Ferreira, Manuel
 Ferris, Daniel A.
 Gallegher, Josephine G.
 Gardner, Alice
 Gebó, John L.
 Gebo, Manuel
 Geldard, Arthur
 Gifford, Paul
 Grassie, Antone
 Grassie, Joseph
 Grassie, Mary
 Grassie, Pauline
 Greene, Gladys
 Hamblin, Olive
 Harding, Elizabeth
 Harding, May
 Harding, William W.
 Healis, George
 Healis, Richard
 Joseph, Antone
 Joseph, William
 Landers, Irene V.
 Lawrence, Anna
 Lawrence, Joseph
 Leach, Althea
 Leach, Bertha
 Leach, Josephine
 LeGalle, Alma
 LeGalle, Ivy
 LeGalle, John
 LeGalle, William
 Look, Bertha
 Look, Harold G.
 Look, J. Russell
 Look, Laura
 Look, Lester
 Look, Milton
 Lovett, James
 Lovett, William
 Madeirias, Anthony
 Madeirias, Frank

Madeirias, Maggie
 Madeirias, Manuel
 Martin, Joseph
 Martin, Mary
 Matthews, Frank O.
 Mayhew, Zenas D.
 McGrath, Anna
 McGrath, Mary
 Menese, Emma
 Menese, Nellie
 Metell, Amy
 Metell, Manuel
 Nicholson, Horace
 Norton, Alice G.
 Norton, Edna S.
 Norton, H. Franklin
 Norton, Ina
 Norton, Russell
 Nunes, Isabella
 Nunes, John
 Nunes, Joseph
 Nunes, Rosa
 Pachico, Fanny
 Pachico, Joseph
 Pachico, Joseph F.
 Pachico, Joseph G.
 Pachico, Manuel
 Pachico, Manuel G.
 Pachico, Mary
 Pachico, Mary G.
 Pachico, Rosa
 Pease, Albert C.
 Pease, Elva
 Pease, Gladys
 Pease, Sara
 Perry, Clara
 Peters, Charles
 Peters, Chester
 Peters, Clarence
 Peters, Fanny
 Peters, John
 Peters, Joseph
 Pimental, Virginia

Pratt, Alice
 Pratt, James
 Pratt, Norman

Ripley, Hilda
 Ripley, Marjorie
 Rose, Frank
 Russell, George G.
 Shepard, V. Basil
 Silvado, Carrie
 Silvado, Mary
 Silvey, Vivian
 Silvia, Albert
 Silvia, Alfred
 Silvia, Anna
 Silvia, Antone
 Silvia, Fanny
 Silvia, Frank
 Silvia, John
 Silvia, Joseph
 Silvia, Joseph S.
 Silvia, Mary A.
 Silvia, Mary C.
 Silvia, Mary R.

Smith, Ernest
 Smith, Norman
 Smith, Ralph
 Sousa, Philomena
 Spencer, Louis
 Stowe, Christine B.
 Stratton, Elsie
 Swift, May
 Thomas, Anna
 Thomas, Lucy
 Thomas, Norman
 Vincent, Alida
 Vincent, Annie
 Vincent, Charles
 Webb, Ernest
 Webb, Harry T.
 Welsh, Grace B.
 Welsh, Milton
 Welsh, Nathan
 Welsh, Warren
 Wentworth, Arthur
 Wentworth, Eddie
 Wentworth, Louis



A. S. B. School.

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Auditor's Certificate.

To the Taxpayers of Cottage City:—

I herewith submit the Twenty-third Annual Report of the finances of the Town of Cottage City. I have carefully examined the books of the Selectmen and Treasurer and here certify the same to have been correctly kept, with vouchers for all orders drawn and payments made.

Appended are reports of Town Clerk, Health Officers, Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, Finance Committee, Park Commissioners, Road Commissioners, and School Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT L. NORTON, Auditor.

Town Officers.

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS, AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

ELMER E. LANDERS,
THOMAS D. CROWELL,
EDMUND G. ELDRIDGE.

CLERK.

FRANCIS P. VINCENT.

TREASURER.

ZENAS D. LINTON.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

FRANCIS P. VINCENT.

AUDITOR.

HERBERT L. NORTON.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

DAVID J. BARNEY,
WILLIAM E. DOANE,
ALFRED A. BUZZELL,
GEORGE W. MASON,
JOHN D. KING,
HORATIO N. PEASE.

HEALTH OFFICERS.

GEORGE P. BRIGGS,
JOB H. GORHAM,
CHARLES W. NORTON.

BOARD OF ENGINEERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT.

GEORGE A. BURGESS,
ANDREW WARREN,
ALFRED A. BUZZELL,
JOHN L. MAYHEW,
HERBERT A. EDDY.

ROAD COMMISSIONERS.

FRANK P. BUNKER,
JOHN C. HAMBLIN,
MANUEL S. de BETTENCOURT.

PARK COMMISSIONERS.

GEORGE A. SMITH,
JOHN W. McGRATH,
JOHN E. SANDIFORD.

Valuation, May 1st, 1902.

Resident personal property,	\$64,350.00
Non-resident personal property,	9,250.00
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Total personal estate,	\$73,600.00
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Resident real estate,	\$545,175.00
Non-resident real estate,	1,044,200.00
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Total real estate,	\$1,589,375.00
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Total valuation,	\$1,662,975.00
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Total resident valuation,	\$609,525.00
Total non-resident valuation,	1,053,450.00
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Total valuation,	\$1,662,975.00
Rate of taxation, \$17.00 per \$1,000.00	
Tax on personal property,	\$1,251.20
Tax on real estate,	27,019.37
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Total property tax,	\$28,270.57
Tax on 251 polls,	502.00
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Total tax assessed May 1st, 1902,	\$28,772.57

State tax assessed,	\$780.00
State Highway tax assessed,	118.50
County tax assessed,	3,222.52
Town tax assessed,	23,745.00
Overlayings,	906.55

Total tax assessed May 1st, 1902, \$28,772.57

Tax bills delivered to Francis P. Vincent, collector, Aug. 1, 1902.

The following items of information are taken from the Assessors' books for 1902 :

Number of horses,	103
“ cows,	110
“ dwelling houses,	1,113
“ acres of land assessed,	3,423
“ tax payers,	1,470
“ persons paying poll tax only,	97
“ persons paying tax on property,	1,373

Town Property.

The following is a schedule of town property as furnished by the Selectmen :—

School buildings and land,	\$14,000.00
Other buildings and furnishings,	3,650.00
One lot on Pequot Avenue,	300.00
Vault,	800.00

FIRE APPARATUS.

Hose house and lot, (Highlands,)	750.00
Hose house,	200.00
One steam fire engine,	2,800.00
Two hose carts,	250.00
Two wagons, hose and fixtures,	700.00
Hose and pipes,	2,000.00
Two chemical engines,	800.00
One hook and ladder truck,	100.00
Fire alarm,	1,000.00
Land at cemetery,	800.00
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	\$28,150.00

Exempted Property.

Baptist church and land,	\$2,200.00
Baptist Association, Temple and land,	2,000.00
“ “ office and land,	2,500.00
Catholic church and land,	1,000.00
Episcopal Society, church and land,	4,000.00
Methodist Church, church,	3,000.00
“ “ chapel,	1,500.00
Martha's Vineyard Camp-Meeting Association,	
Tabernacle, office and land,	26,000.00
Martha's Vineyard Summer Institute, Agassiz	
Hall,	4,000.00
Martha's Vineyard Association, band stand,	1,000.00
Union Chapel Association, chapel and land,	6,000.00
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	\$53,200.00

Appropriations for 1902.

Firemen,	\$350.00
Engineer, Steamer No. 1,	150.00
Fireman, Steamer No. 1,	15.00
Steward, Steamer House and Town Hall,	150.00
Steward, Hydrant Hose House,	35.00
Steward, Highland Hose House,	25.00
Steward, Chemical No. 2 House,	25.00
Clerk, Board of Engineers,	20.00
Superintendent of fire alarm,	25.00
Care of fire alarm battery,	75.00
Fuel and lights, fire department,	190.00
Contingent expenses, fire department,	350.00
Incidentals,	1,000.00
Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor,	100.00
Assessors,	300.00
Treasurer,	100.00
School Committee,	75.00
Town Clerk,	40.00
Auditor,	25.00
Superintendent of Schools,	75.00
Board of Health,	75.00
Collector of Taxes, salary for 1899,	300.00
Night watchman,	450.00
Sweeping streets,	200.00
Repairs of concrete,	800.00

Repairs of dirt roads,	\$150.00
Bulkheads and bridges,	250.00
Lighting streets,	4,000.00
Police,	500.00
Public parks,	300.00
Memorial Day,	50.00
Public Library,	150.00
Schools and transportation of scholars,	3,880.00
School expenses and sanitary work,	700.00
Town debt and interest,	4,500.00
Support of poor,	1,475.00
Collection of swill and garbage,	200.00
Health expenses,	100.00
Hydrant rental,	2,040.00
Amusement fund,	500.00

Total appropriations assessed May 1, 1902, \$23,745.00

Expenditures.

Salaries of Town Officers.

SELECTMEN AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Elmer E. Landers, services, (Chairman),	\$50.00
Thomas D. Crowell, “	25.00
Edmund G. Eldridge, “	25.00
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	\$100.00

ASSESSORS.

Elmer E. Landers, services,	\$100.00
Thomas D. Crowell, “	100.00
Edmund G. Eldridge, “	100.00
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	\$300.00

CLERK.

Francis P. Vincent, services,	\$40.00
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TREASURER.

Zenas D. Linton, services,	\$100.00
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COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

Zenas D. Linton, services, 1899,	\$300.00
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AUDITOR.

Herbert L. Norton, services,	\$25.00
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SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

John D. King,	services,	\$12.50
George W. Mason,	“	12.50
Horatio N. Pease,	“	12.50
Alfred A. Buzzell,	“	12.50
David J. Barney,	“	12.50
William E. Doane,	“	12.50
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		\$75.00

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Job H. Gorham,	services,	\$25.00
George P. Briggs,	“	25.00
Charles W. Norton,	“	25.00
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		\$75.00

Superintendent of Schools.

Andrew P. Averill, salary as Superintendent of Schools, 12 months,	\$392.65
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Schools and Transportation of Scholars.

Henry H. Harriman, salary nine months at \$85 per month,	\$765.00
Emily I. Odiorne, salary, five and one-half months at \$50 per month,	275.00
Three and one half months at \$40 per month,	140.00
Kathryn F. Royal, salary, eight and one-quarter months at \$40 per month,	330.00
Three weeks,	22.50
Stella M. Moulton, salary, eight and one-quarter months at \$40,	330.00
Three weeks,	22.50
Lucy E. Loring, salary, nine months at \$40 per month,	360.00

Elizabeth H. Norman, salary, three and one-half months,	\$183.29
David J. Barney, cash paid teachers,	18.00
Edith Ames, salary seven months at \$40 per month,	280.00
Elizabeth M. LeProhon, salary five and one-half months at \$40 per month,	220.00
Prue A. Haley, teaching three weeks,	30.00
Emily M. Barney, teaching one week,	10.00
Maude E. Wing, teaching two weeks,	20.00
Samuel Q. Rice, services as janitor, 38 weeks at \$9 per week,	342.00
Sylvanus S. Carter, services as janitor 2 weeks at \$9 per week,	18.00
Emma Norton, transportation of scholars, 36 weeks at \$7 per week,	252.00
David J. Barney, wood and coal,	172.97
H. L. Norton & Co., coal,	234.46
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	\$4,025.72

School Expenses.

Ginn & Co., books,	\$10.21
H. N. Pease, supplies,	5.00
Masury, Young & Co., oil,	13.00
A. A. Buzzell, express and freight,	3.61
F. W. Smith, taking school census,	5.00
H. H. Rice, lumber,	18.98
Thomas M. Hart & Co., flag,	5.00
J. D. King, basket,	.60
Everett Joy, glazing, varnish, etc.,	6.70
J. L. Hammett Co., books, stationery, etc.,	42.92
A. P. Averill, expense, securing teacher,	5.67
F. D. Tripp, fire pot and damper,	27.00

Edw. E. Babb & Co., books, .	\$6.81
D. J. Barney, hardware, etc.,	8.09
H. B. Howland, repairing clock,	2.50
A. A. Buzzell, labor and express,	21.00
A. P. Averill, outline map,	1.55
Alonzo Ripley, labor,	6.00
S. S. Hicks, supplies,	.75
L. S. Lewis, services as truant officer,	7.33
Houghton, Mifflin & Co., books,	6.29
J. L. Mayhew, labor,	6.83
Ginn & Co., books,	6.25
A. A. Buzzell, labor,	4.17
J. L. Mayhew, plumbing,	24.90
E. E. Landers, blanks,	2.00
W. D. Harding, supplies,	1.32
A. P. Averill, expense, securing teacher,	2.30
E. G. Eldridge, insurance,	60.00
Edw. E. Babb & Co., books, crayons, etc.,	23.93
Ginn & Co., books,	18.13
J. L. Hammett & Co., books and slating,	6.12
Edw. E. Babb & Co., supplies,	12.12
W. E. Doane, cardboard,	1.10
Cottage City Water Co, water supply,	36.00
D. C. Heath & Co., supplies,	22.50
Cottage City Gas Co., gas at Union Chapel,	1.60
C. F. Vincent, carting,	1.25
Arthur C. Smith, labor,	3.00
Wm. Norton, Jr., labor,	1.25
Werner School Book Co., books,	8.00
A. A. Buzzell, freight and express,	3.60
S. Q. Rice, labor,	3.00
Elizabeth H. Norman, books. etc.,	4.39
Chas. L. Scranton, envelopes,	10.60

S. Q. Rice, services as truant officer,	\$25.00
American Book Co., books,	2.40
W. E. Doane, printing,	13.50
Edw. E. Babb & Co., books,	1.39
Allyn & Bacon, books,	8.67
Edmund G. Eldridge, insurance,	160.00
John L. Mayhew, plumbing at school-house as per contract,	240.00
W. R. Douglas. supplies,	1.00
J. L. Hammett, supplies,	2.98
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	\$923.31

Fire Department.

FIREMEN.

Steamer Co. No. 1, services of 14 men 6 months,	\$35.00
Services of 13 men 6 months,	32.50
Services of 4 men 6 months,	6.72
Services of 1 man 1 month,	.42
Hydrant Hose Co., services of 19 men 6 months,	47.50
Services of 16 men 6 months,	40.00
Services of 3 men 2 months,	2.49
Services of 2 men 4 months,	3.32
Services of 1 man 1 month,	.42
Hook and Ladder Co., services of 13 men 6 months,	32.50
Services of 1 man 3 months,	1.25
Services of 11 men 6 months,	27.50
Services of 3 men 4 months,	5.04
Services of 1 man 5 months,	2.10
Services of 1 man 2 months,	.84
Chemical Contest No. 2, services of 12 men 1 year,	60.00

HIGHLAND HOSE CO. NO. 2.

Highland Hose Co. No. 2, services of 11 men 6 months,	\$27.50
Services of 1 man 3 months,	1.25
Services of 9 men 6 months,	22.50
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	\$348.85

ENGINEER STEAMER NO. 1.

Samuel E. McDonald, services one year,	\$150.00
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FIREMAN STEAMER NO. 1.

Daniel M. Bradley, services,	\$22.50
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STEWARD STEAMER HOUSE AND TOWN HALL.

Everett Joy, services one year,	\$150.00
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STEWARD HYDRANT HOSE HOUSE.

LeRoy S. Lewis, services one year,	\$35.00
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STEWARD HIGHLAND HOSE HOUSE.

Sylvanus S. Carter, services six months,	\$12.50
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Henry H. Harriman, " " "	12.50
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\$25.00

STEWARD CHEMICAL NO. 2 HOUSE.

Henry Applebee, services one year,	\$25.00
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CLERK, BOARD OF ENGINEERS.

Alfred A. Buzzell, services one year,	\$20.00
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SUPERINTENDENT OF FIRE ALARM.

John L. Mayhew, services one year,	\$25.00
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CARE OF FIRE ALARM BATTERY.

Everett Joy, services,	\$75.00
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FUEL AND LIGHTS.

Cottage City Gas Co., gas and fixtures at Steamer House, Hydrant Hose House and Chemical House,	\$114.40
N. D. Webb, carting coal,	3.00
D. J. Barney, coal and wood,	19.31
H. L. Peakes, coal,	25.75
C. F. James, carting coal,	1.75
H. C. Norton, wood,	7.00
H. L. Norton & Co., coal,	26.76
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	\$197.97

CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

Alfred A. Buzzell, labor, fire alarm.	\$1.17
Henry C. Chadwick, window shades,	1.60
Henry C. Chadwick, supplies,	2.50
Abbie D. Vedder, rent of room for hose carriage,	12.00
Henry H. Rice, lumber,	6.33
Waterford Fire Engine Works, grate,	6.00
George M. Stevens Co., vitriol,	28.13
George M. Stevens Co., labor,	5.00
George A. Burgess, labor and nails,	16.12
Southern Mass. Tel. Co., rental of telephone,	13.49
Chas. S. Norton, hauling hose wagon,	3.00
Ernest A. Pease " " "	1.50
John L. Mayhew, " chemical and hose,	4.50
Cottage City Water Co., water rate,	26.00
George M. Stevens Co., zincs and coppers,	18.50
George A. Burgess, express,	.75
F. T. Aiken & Co., cannel coal,	6.00
R. D. Robinson, painting Highland Hose House,	32.00
Andrew Warren, building cesspool,	15.00
A. A. Buzzell, labor and hardware,	15.62

C. E. Taylor, use of team at fires,	\$6.00
S. S. Carter, watching fire,	2.00
John L. Mayhew, labor and supplies,	65.22
H. R. W. Applebee, painting Chemical House,	22.00
Domingo Alley, hauling hose wagon,	1.50
F. W. Chase, " fire apparatus,	5.00
William Norton, Jr., supplies,	26.40
Knight & Thomas, extinguishers,	51.00
John L. Mayhew, supplies,	2.43
Antone Andrews, hauling Hook & Ladder,	2.50
John L. Mayhew, labor and wire,	15.45
George A. Burgess, freight and express,	1.81
LaRoy S. Lewis, labor and rope,	2.00
N. D. Webb, clearing snow,	2.50
Ernest A. Pease, hauling hose wagon,	3.00
The Cornelius Callahan Co., balance due,	3.00
C. F. Vincent, hauling hose reel,	3.00
E. M. Smith, hauling hose reel,	1.00
Henry C. Chadwick, curtains,	1.80
John L. Mayhew, plumbing, etc.,	58.55
Henry C. Chadwick, supplies,	2.50
Geo. A. Burgess,	2.00
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	\$495.87

State Aid.

John Spaulding,	\$72.00
William W. Smith,	72.00
Aaron F. Raymond,	72.00
David Benson,	48.00
James Casey,	48.00
Elizabeth T. Smith,	48.00
Joseph F. Tripp, (Military Aid)	48.00
Mary J. Leighton,	48.00

Serena E. Smith,	\$48.00
Mary A. Edson,	48.00
Margaret S. Luther,	48.00
Antoinette J. Dalton,	48.00
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	\$648.00

Health Expenses.

E. S. Bowman, labor,	\$7.35
Landers & Doane, printing notices,	26.50
William Norton, Jr., repairing cart, etc.,	1.70
George P. Briggs, labor,	15.96
Thomas H. Chirgwin, supplies,	10.95
Chas. W. Norton, labor,	68.50
Joseph Bernardo, collecting swill and garbage,	75.00
M. S. DeBettencourt,	4.50
R. D. Robinson,	3.00
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	\$213.46

Night Watchman.

LeRoy S. Lewis, services from March 1st, 1902 to March 1st, 1903,	\$450.00
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Public Library.

Thomas D. Crowell, Treas., amount of appropriation at annual meeting, 1902,	\$150.00
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Hydrants.

Cottage City Water Co., rental of 51 hydrants from Nov. 15, 1901 to Nov. 15, 1902,	\$2,040.00
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Amusement Fund.

Eugene Hayden, subscription to band and amusement fund,	\$500.00
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Memorial Day.

George H. Stratton, amount of appropriation at annual meeting,	\$50.00
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Public Parks.

Park Commissioners, amount of appropriation at annual meeting,	\$300.00
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Collection of Swill and Garbage

Joseph Bernardo, collecting swill and garbage, for season 1902,	\$200.00
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Sweeping Streets.

Road Commissioners, amount of appropriation at annual meeting,	\$200.00
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Soldier's Burial.

Hinckley & Renear, for burial of David Benson,	\$35.00
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Bulkheads and Bridges.

Road Commissioners, amount of appropriation at annual meeting,	\$250.00
Henry H. Rice, lumber,	9.48
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	\$259.48

Military Aid.

Town of Edgartown, amount paid for Military Aid, 1897, 1899, 1900 and 1901,	\$55.41
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Repairs of Concrete.

Road Commissioners, appropriation at annual meeting,	\$800.00
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Concrete, Nashawena Park.

Road Commissioners, amount of appropriation,	\$175.00
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Repairs of Roads.

Road Commissioners, amount of appropriation at annual meeting,	\$150.00
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Police.

Hatch & Co., rent of room for office, 1902,	\$50.00
Jason L. Dexter, services as Chief of Police from July 1st to Sept. 8, 1902,	228.64
Eli A. Leighton, services as police officer from July 13 to Sept. 2, 1902,	104.00
Eben S. Bowman, hanging sign,	.75
LeRoy S. Lewis, services as police officer,	64.00
Southern Mass. Tel. Co., rent of telephone,	15.00
Cottage City Gas & Electric Light Co., gas,	11.40
Jason L. Dexter, services of men watching night of July 3d,	32.00
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	\$505.79

Lighting Streets.

Cottage City Gas & Electric Light Co., lighting streets as per contract,	\$3,997.42
John L. Mayhew, repairing lanterns,	14.85
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	\$4,012.27

Support of Poor.

Medfield Insane Hospital, board of Thomas H. Norton,	\$146.00
Board of Anna F. Watson,	137.60
City of Brockton, relief of Julia Webquish and family,	32.40
Westboro Insane Hospital, board of Anna F. Watson,	10.21

City of Boston, board of Benjamin P. Soulis,	\$26.57
City of New Bedford, supplies to Julia Smith,	29.07
Supplies to Louisa Pimental,	10.50
E. L. Merry, board of Fanny W. Norton,	192.00
Nancy C. Greene, board of Bridget Tribble,	19.50
Mary E. Rowe, board of children,	156.00
H. L. Peakes, coal for Mary Rowe,	4.50
M. S. DeBettencourt, rent and wood for Mary Rowe,	56.00
H. B. Devoll, board of Marianna Ripley,	30.00
Mary A. Pease, board of Marianna Ripley,	114.00
John Randolph, board and care Jos. Lang,	371.00
David J. Barney, coal to S. J. Lee,	10.00
C. T. Luce, milk to S. J. Lee,	20.04
Joseph Dias, supplies to Mary Silva,	5.00
David J. Barney, wood to Amelia Silva,	1.00
City of Taunton, medical aid and provisions to Manuel Silva,	54.49
Union Ticket Office, transportation of Louisa Pi- mental and family to San Miguel,	39.53
Horatio N. Pease, supplies to Amelia Silva,	32.63
H. L. Norton & Co., supplies to Amelia Silva and Mary Rowe,	15.12
Linton, Worth & Co., supplies to Amelia Silva and Mrs. Gardner,	27.00
David J. Barney, coal and wood to Mrs. Gard- ner and Mary Rowe,	16.51
J. Lucy Grey, supplies,	25.84
Look, Washburn & Co., supplies,	6.27
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	\$1,588.78

Incidentals.

Zenas D. Linton, expense obtaining loan,	\$26.00
Stamps, envelopes, etc.,	47.58

F. W. Chase, inspecting cattle,	\$25.00
Wood,	1.75
E. E. Landers, postage,	2.26
Town of Edgartown, repairs on bridge,	21.93
E. R. Smith, services as ballot clerk,	2.50
Cottage City Gas Co., gas at Selectmen's Office,	1.20
Manuel Montaga, labor,	2.25
John Menese, labor,	2.25
C. G. M. Dunham, consulting, Silvado case,	10.00
C. F. James, carting pipe,	5.75
F. P. Bunker, labor,	7.25
Joseph Silva, labor,	2.25
LeRoy S. Lewis, posting town warrant,	1.50
Officer of the day,	2.50
William M. Butler, services, Silvado case,	57.30
Cottage City Gas Co., gas, Selectmen's Office,	4.75
Wm. M. Butler, annual retainer,	25.00
E. G. Eldridge, services election day,	2.50
Services, militia roll and dog census,	2.50
Services, registrar of voters,	5.00
Elmer E. Landers, services election day,	2.50
Services, militia roll and dog census,	2.50
Services, registrar of voters,	5.00
Thomes D. Crowell, services, election day,	2.50
Services, militia roll and dog census,	2.50
Services, registrar of voters,	5.00
F. P. Vincent, stamps and stationery,	14.42
F. A. Cottle, witness fees and expenses,	4.60
Henry E. Cottle, settlement of Silvado case,	134.64
E. E. Landers, printing and advertising,	18.50
Cottage City Gas Co., gas, Selectmen's Office,	3.90
Henry H. Rice, lumber, at Hydrant Hose House,	56.47
Lumber for seats, Sea View avenue,	38.56

Samuel Keniston, copy of papers, Silvado case,	\$1.50
Geo. A. Burgess, services as ballot clerk,	2.50
S. S. Paine & Bro., pipe,	36.00
LeRoy S. Lewis, services janitor Selectmen's Office,	15.00
N. D. Webb, carting coal,	1.00
Everett Joy, services as harbor master,	1.00
David J. Barney, coal and wood,	8.33
Landers & Doane, printing town and school report,	80.00
Extra table work,	8.00
Publishing town warrant,	15.00
Printing notices,	5.93
Everett Joy, glazing,	11.85
C. L. Scranton, envelopes,	10.70
C. W. Norton, witness fees and expenses,	4.60
F. P. Vincent, recording births, marriages and deaths,	13.10
services as clerk, board of registrars,	10.00
services, town clerk's meeting,	2.50
services, election day,	2.50
Job H. Gorham, report of deaths,	5.50
Geo. A. Burgess, labor at Hydrant Hose House,	35.69
George P. Briggs, witness fees,	2.60
David J. Barney, coal and wood,	10.00
Wm. A. Norton, carriage for town clerk,	1.50
E. G. Eldridge, administering oaths,	9.75
L. S. Lewis, posting warrant, officer of the day,	4.00
George A. Burgess, services ballot clerk,	2.50
E. A. Leighton, serving dog warrant,	3.00
Cottage City Gas Co., gas,	1.40
L. S. Lewis, posting town warrant,	1.50
Cottage City Water Co., pipe,	5.10
Louis Sackett, labor,	1.50

Carter's Ink Co., record ink,	\$1.50
B. T. Hillman, services Gardner case.	10.00
Cottage City Gas Co., gas,	1.80
A. A. Buzzell, labor and stock,	2.90
E. E. Landers, printing letter heads and notices,	20.25
L. C. Wimpenney, abstracts from records for assessors,	15.00
John L. Mayhew, supplies,	4.35
F. D. Tripp, care of fountain,	6.00
O. F. Gregory, advertisement,	6.00
L. S. Lewis, services as tree warden,	3.00
John H. Crowell, surveying and making plans of Nashawena Park and Niantic avenue,	22.89
H. L. Peakes, coal,	8.62
F. S. Brightman Co., books,	16.25
H. L. Norton & Co., coal,	3.50
E. H. Matthews, labor and stock, seats, Sea View avenue,	66.92
Edward Doran, trimming avenues,	125.00
Cottage City Gas Co., gas,	4.20
Everett Joy, painting at Town Hall,	27.50
E. R. Smith, services as ballot clerk,	2.50
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	\$1,211.84

Amount of Orders Drawn

BY THE SELECTMEN, 1902-1903.

Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor,	\$100.00
Assessors,	300.00
Town Clerk,	40.00
Treasurer,	100.00
Collector of Taxes, salary for 1899,	300.00
Auditor,	25.00
School Committee,	75.00
Board of Health,	75.00
Superintendent of Schools,	392.65
Schools and transportation of scholars,	4,025.72
School expenses and sanitary work,	923.31
Firemen,	348.85
Engineer, Steamer No. 1,	150.00
Fireman, Steamer No. 1,	22.50
Steward, Steamer House and Town Hall,	150.00
Steward, Hydrant Hose House,	35.00
Steward, Highland Hose House,	25.00
Steward, Chemical No. 2 House,	25.00
Clerk, Board of Engineers,	20.00
Superintendent of fire alarm,	25.00
Care of fire alarm battery,	75.00
Fuel and lights, fire department,	197.97
Contingent expenses, fire department,	495.86
State Aid,	648.00

Health expenses,	\$213.46
Night watchman,	450.00
Public Library,	150.00
Hydrant rental, 51 hydrants,	2,040.00
Amusement fund,	500.00
Memorial Day,	50.00
Public parks,	300.00
Collection of swill and garbage,	200.00
Sweeping streets,	200.00
Soldier's Burial,	35.00
Bulkheads and bridges,	259.49
Military Aid,	55.41
Repairs of concrete,	800.00
Concrete Nashawena Park,	175.00
Repairs of dirt roads,	150.00
Police,	505.79
Lighting streets,	4,012.27
Support of poor,	1,588.78
Incidentals,	1,211.84
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	\$21,471.90
Orders paid, (see Treasurer's account)	\$20,994.69
Orders unpaid,	477.21
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	\$21,471.90

List of Jurors.

List of names selected by the Selectmen, to be placed in the juror's box, from which to draw grand and traverse jurors, to be presented to the town for acceptance at the annual meeting, March 9, 1903.

Nathan D. Webb, Stable Keeper.	Frank D. Tripp, Merchant,
Ornan J. Slocum, Farmer,	Elisha M. Smith, Farmer,
Alonzo Ripley, Carpenter,	Samuel Q. Rice, Carpenter,
Benjamin F. Rice, 2d, Carpenter,	Frank J. Perry, Cigar Manufac'r.
Peter M. Pease, Laborer,	Benjamin W. Pease, Carpenter,
Herbert L. Norton, Merchant,	Charles W. Norton, Carpenter,
Allen R. Norton, Stable Keeper,	George F. Moulton, Clerk,
Sherman T. Meara, Merchant,	Thomas A. McGrath, Florist,
Ezekiel H. Matthews, Contractor,	John E. Look, Merchant,
David J. Barney, Merchant,	George N. Bosworth, Carpenter,
Samuel N. Kidder, Contractor,	Eben S. Bowman, Blacksmith,
Sereno D. C. Smith, Grocer,	Frank P. Bunker, Carpenter,
Alfred A. Buzzell, Contractor,	Fred D. Chase, Painter,
Henry W. DeCoursie, Barber,	William E. Doane, Painter.
Clofus L. Gonyon, Farmer,	John C. Hamblin, Ice Dealer.

ELMER E. LANDERS,	}	Selectmen
THOMAS D. CROWELL,		of
EDMUND G. ELDRIDGE,		Cottage City.

Cottage City, Mass., Feb. 23, 1903.

RECAPITULATION.

Unexpended.	Appropriations.	Departments.	Expenditures.	Overdrawn.
	\$100 00	Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor,.....	\$100 00	
	300 00	Assessors,.....	300 00	
	40 00	Town Clerk,.....	40 00	
	100 00	Treasurer,.....	100 00	
	300 00	Collector of Taxes, 1899,.....	300 00	
	25 00	Auditor,.....	25 00	
	75 00	School Committee,.....	75 00	
	75 00	Board of Health,.....	75 00	
	387 50	Superintendent of Schools, including amount from State, Schools and Transportation of Scholars, including School	392 65	\$5 15
	4,048 66	Fund and Dog Tax	4,025 72	
\$22 94	700 00	School Expenses and Sanitary Work,.....	923 31	223 31
	350 00	Firemen,.....	348 85	
1 15	150 00	Engineer, Steamer No. 1,.....	150 00	
	15 00	Fireman, Steamer No. 1,.....	22 50	7 50
	150 00	Steward, Steamer House and Town Hall,.....	150 00	
	35 00	Steward, Hydrant Hose House,.....	35 00	
	25 00	Steward, Highland Hose House,.....	25 00	
	25 00	Steward, Chemical House No. 2,.....	25 00	
	20 00	Clerk, Board of Engineers,.....	20 00	
	25 00	Superintendent of Fire Alarm,.....	25 00	
	75 00	Care Fire Alarm Battery,.....	75 00	
	190 00	Fuel and Lights, Fire Department,.....	197 97	7 97
	350 00	Contingent Expenses. Fire Department,	495 86	145 86
	648 00	State Aid, Refunded by the State,	648 00	
	100 00	Health Expenses,.....	213 46	113 46
	450 00	Night Watchman,	450 00	

150 00	Public Library,.....	150 00	
2,040 00	Hydrant Rental,.....	2,040 00	
500 00	Amusement Fund,.....	500 00	
50 00	Memorial Day,.....	50 00	
300 00	Public Parks,.....	300 00	
200 00	Collection of Swill and Garbage,.....	200 00	
200 00	Sweeping Streets,.....	200 00	
250 00	Soldier's Burial,.....	35 00	35 00
	Bulkheads and Bridges,.....	259 49	9 49
	Military Aid,.....	55 41	55 41
800 00	Repairs of Concrete,.....	800 00	
	Concrete, Nashawena Park,.....	175 00	175 00
150 00	Repairs of Roads,.....	150 00	
500 00	Police,.....	505 79	5 79
4,000 00	Lighting Streets,.....	4,012 27	12 27
1,475 00	Support of Poor,.....	1,588 78	113 78
1,000 00	Incidentals,.....	1,211 84	211 84
1,097 74	Balance,.....		
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		\$21,471 90	\$1,121 83
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\$21,471 90			

Tax Collections.

SETTLEMENT WITH ZENAS D. LINTON, COLLECTOR OF TAXES,
1899.

Commitment 1899,	\$29,714.23
Interest collected,	215.45
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	\$29,929.68

Collected in 1899,	\$22,244.67
“ 1900,	3,857.02
“ 1901,	1,238.70
“ 1902,	1,794.23
Abatements,	471.77
Exemptions,	259.60
Held by Town,	63.69
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	\$29,929.68

COLLECTIONS FOR 1900.

FRANCIS P. VINCENT, COLLECTOR.

Balance uncollected Feb. 19, 1902,	\$4,250.71
Paid in during the year :—	
March and April,	\$96.17
May and June,	254.57
July and August,	540.69
September and October,	468.70

November and December,	\$345.49	
January and February,	248.25	
	<hr/>	\$1,953.87
Uncollected,		<hr/> \$2,296.84

COLLECTIONS FOR 1901.

FRANCIS P. VINCENT, COLLECTOR.

Balance uncollected Feb. 19, 1902,		\$8,535.18
Paid in during the year :—		
March and April,	\$705.01	
May and June,	348.50	
July and August,	1,184.13	
September and October,	1,542.42	
November and December,	572.94	
January and February,	102.16	
	<hr/>	4,455.16
Uncollected,		<hr/> \$4,080.02

COLLECTIONS FOR 1902.

FRANCIS P. VINCENT, COLLECTOR.

Commitment August 1, 1902,		\$28,772.57
Paid in during the year :—		
August,	\$5,749.90	
September,	7,549.12	
October,	4,231.91	
November,	1,938.84	
December,	626.29	
January,	491.46	
February,	295.25	
	<hr/>	20,882.77
Uncollected,		<hr/> \$7,889.80

Treasurer's Report.

ZENAS D. LINTON, TREASURER,

IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF COTTAGE CITY.

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Cash on hand,	\$3,447.80
Bond, Jose Parker & Co.,	9,000.00
Temporary loan,	3,000.00
Collection of taxes, 1899,	1,794.23
Collection of taxes, 1900,	1,953.87
Collection of taxes, 1901,	4,455.16
Collection of taxes, 1902,	20,882.77
Corporation tax,	131.45
Bank Tax,	67.51
Income, school fund,	100.00
Temporary support, State poor,	7.00
Fines, District Court,	53.55
Dog tax,	68.66
State Aid,	598.00
Compensation, Inspector Animals,	8.00
Burial Indigent Soldier,	35.00
Carriage and baggage licenses,	34.00
Pool and billiard licenses,	9.00
Auctioneer's license,	2.00
Peddler's licenses,	24.00

Superintendent Schools,	\$312.50
Interest I. Norton bequest,	12.00
Druggist's licenses,	2.00
Intelligence office,	2.00
Rent Town Hall,	.75
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	\$46,001.25

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Principal of note, Jose Parker & Co.,	\$2,000.00
Interest,	200.00
Principal of note, M. V. Bank,	3,000.00
Interest,	11.25
Principal of note, M. V. National Bank,	3,000.00
Interest,	11.25
Principal of note, M. V. Bank,	3,000.00
Interest,	73.21
Principal of note, Malden Savings Bank,	1,000.00
Interest,	40.00
Principal of note M. V. Bank,	1,000.00
Interest,	18.18
Principal of note, N. B. Institution for Savings,	500.00
Interest on note, \$8,000.00,	160.00
Interest on three notes, \$9,000.00,	157.50
Interest on three notes, \$10,000,	200.00
Interest on one note, \$3,000.00,	120.00
Interest on four notes, \$8,000.00,	160.00
Interest on one note, \$1,000.00,	25.00
Interest on one note, \$7,000.00,	280.00
Interest on one note, \$3,000.00,	33.75
Interest on one note, \$2,500.00,	125.00
Interest on note, \$10,000.00,	200.00
Interest on note, \$8,000.00,	160.00
Interest on note, \$9,000.00,	211.25

Interest on note, \$3,000.00,	\$300.00
Interest on note, \$3,000.00,	225.00
Interest on note, \$1,000.00,	55.00
Paid State, account druggist licenses,	.50
Paid County Commissioners, account Lagoon Bridge,	454.15
State tax,	780.00
State Highway tax,	118.50
County tax,	3,222.52
Outstanding orders 1902,	482.15
Orders paid during the year,	20,994.69
Cash on hand,	3,682.35
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	\$46,001.25

Liabilities and Assets.

LIABILITIES.

Bonds, Malden Savings Bank,	\$6,000.00
Bonds, Jose Parker & Co.,	19,000.00
Bonds, State,	10,000.00
Bonds, Charles Weil & Co.,	3,000.00
Bonds, N. B. I. for Savings,	2,000.00
Bonds, Charles T. Luce,	4,600.00
Bonds, E. G. Beetle, Estate,	3,000.00
Temporary loans,	3,000.00
Outstanding orders,	477.21
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	\$51,077.21

ASSETS.

Uncollected taxes,	\$14,266.66
Deeds of land held by town,	500.00
Cash in treasury,	3,682.35
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	\$18,449.01

NOTE:—The Ichabod Norton bequest now amounts to \$965.45. There is deposited in the New Bedford Institution for Savings, \$372.02, and invested at 6 per cent. interest, \$200.00. The balance of \$393.43 is in the treasury.

Town Clerk's Report.

Record of Births, Marriages and Deaths.

BIRTHS, 1902.

DATE.	NAME OF CHILD.	SEX.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
February	3 Freddie de Bettencourt,	M	Joseph and Porcina
"	5 Fanny Maderios,	F	Frank and Mary
"	16 Libbie P. Perry,	F	Joseph F. and Amelia
"	18 Daniel P. Bradley,	M	Daniel M. and Annie J.
March	20 Milton S. Norton,	M	Charles W. and Hattie J.
April	5 Manuel Freitas,	M	Manuel and Mary J.
July	10 Mary A. Pachico,	F	Julio and Carrie
"	11 — Luce,	M	Harry C. and Irene
August	30 Dorothy Look,	F	Christopher and Nancy W.
September	17 Ruth B. Andrews,	F	Antone S. and Mary S.
"	20 — Waybut,	F	Thomas F. and Delia
October	6 Illegitimate child,	M	
"	26 Francis H. Bernard,	M	Frank and Rosa C.
November	11 Manuel Silvado,	M	Manuel R. and Carrie

MARRIAGES.

DATE.	NAMES OF PARTIES.	RESIDENCE.	AGE.	PLACE OF BIRTH.
February 10	Peter Lynch,	Tisbury,	46	Canton, Mass.
	Sibyl Thompson,	Cottage City,	24	New Orleans, La.
April 14	Aaron T. Webb,	" "	50	Fairhaven, Mass.
	Lottie L. Norton,	" "	20	Cottage City.
July 9	Edward L. Holmes,	Detroit, Mich.,	22	Plymouth, Mass.
	Abbie May Vedder,	Cottage City,	22	Chilmark, Mass.
August 23	John Gonsalves,	" "	23	Cape De Verde Islands.
	Nettie Andrea,	" "	20	Azores.
October 19	Antone S. Phillips,	" "	28	Taunton, Mass.
	Emiliade Emcarnacao Biaz,	" "	21	Azores.
November 19	Truman J. Elinwood,	" "	72	Smithfield, N. Y.
	Elizabeth S. Jennings,	Worcester,	67	Brookfield, Mass.

DEATHS.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.			CAUSE OF DEATH.
		V	M.	D.	
January 1	William J. Gough,	53	7	10	Acute Pulmonary Ordena.
" 20	Obadiah Smith,	75	3	6	Typhoid Pneumonia.
" 22	Benjamin F. Rice,	67	8	10	Carcinoma of Stomach and Liver.
February 18	Isadora E. Rocker,	19	6	6	Pulmonary Tuberculosis.
March 21	Harriet H. Stewart,	64	2	21	Valvular Disease of the Heart.
April 5					Still Born.
May 3	Mary Ann Bradford,	80	7	19	Valvular Disease of the Heart.
" 31	*Georgina A. Cheever,	31	3	14	Tuberculosis.
June 6	*Joseph H. Owens,	55	5	21	Hemiplegia.
" 23	Anna A. Chadwick,	58	8		Carcinoma of Pancreas.
July 6	*Martha C. Dockery,	22			Appendicitis.
" 9	*Thomas F. Donaghy,	17	11	9	Accidental Drowning.
" 13	*Sabrina L. Gibbs,	71	3	17	Apoplexy.
August 4	*Homer B. Stevens,	66	10	25	Chronic Myocarditis.
" 16	Maria S. Linton,	62	3	25	Congestion of Lungs.
" 22	*Earl Priest,		3	29	Marasmus.
" 28	Annie Vincent,	5	10	5	Pulmonary Tuberculosis.
" 29	*Mary E. Stickney,	72	10	17	Heart Failure.
September 4	William B. Ripley,	50			Valvular Disease of the Heart.
November 8					Still Born.
December 4	William J. Gibson,	78	8	24	Senile Debility.
" 17	David Benson,	73	6	23	Heart Disease.

*Non-Residents.

SUMMARY.

The following are the statistics of births, marriages and deaths :—

BIRTHS.

Whole number of births, 14. Males, 8 ; females, 6.

MARRIAGES.

Whole number of marriages, 6.

DEATHS.

Whole number of deaths, 22. Males, 12; females, 10.
Residents, 14; non-residents, 8.

Dog Tax Account for the Year 1902.

Whole number of dogs licensed,	61
Males,	58
Females,	3

The amount received for same, less fees, has been remitted to the County Treasurer, receipts taken, and placed on file.

FRANCIS P. VINCENT, Town Clerk.

Road Commissioners' Report.

The Road Commissioners present the following report for the year 1902 :

SWEEPING STREETS.

Received from Selectmen,		\$200.00
Joseph Silvia, labor,	\$195.90	
Linton, Worth & Co.,	14.85	\$210.75
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Overdrawn,		\$10.75

SURVEYS OF NIAN TIC AVENUE AND NASHAWENA PARK ROADS.

Received from Selectmen,	\$22.89
Paid John H. Crowell, surveyor,	22.89

DIRT ROADS.

Received from Selectmen,	\$150.00
M. S. DeBettencourt, labor with team, and loam,	\$57.15
Manuel S. Masquita, labor,	11.50
Manuel Cabral, “	9.75
Henry Correia, “	1.50
Antone Cabral, “	5.17
Manuel Pachico, “	5.67
Andrew Silvia, “	3.25

M. M. Silvia, labor,	\$1.42	
John C. Hamblin, labor and team,	73.50	
	<hr/>	\$168.91
Overdrawn,		<hr/> \$18.91

BULKHEADS AND BRIDGES.

Received from Selectmen,		\$200.00
John C. Hamblin, stone and labor,	\$32.27	
E. M. Smith, 26 stone bounds,	13.00	
S. S. Carter, labor on plank walk,	6.44	
John Peters, labor,	20.00	
Manuel D Silva, “	10.19	
John Custadio, “	5.35	
Joseph Silvia, “	3.68	
Antone Silvia, “	1.50	
Henry Correia, “	1.67	
Wm. Norton, Jr., repairs of tools,	4.25	

Cleaning snow, March, 1902 :

John C. Hamblin,	5.50
Albert Silvia,	.60
William Harding,	1.00
Manuel Silvia,	3.00
Howard Carter,	1.00
Harry Webb,	1.00
Roy Bunker,	1.00
C. W. Bunker,	1.00
E. G. Mills,	6.70
F. P. Bunker,	1.45

Cleaning snow, Feb., 1903 :

John C. Hamblin,	7.00
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Willie Bunker,	\$.60	
F. P. Bunker,	3.50	
	<hr/>	\$131.70
Unexpended,		<hr/> \$68.30

REPAIRS OF CONCRETE.

Received from Selectmen,		\$850.00
C. F. James, carting tar and pitch, 126 barrels,	\$11.88	
W. A. Vanderhoof, freight on tar and pitch,	31.50	
National Coal Tar Co., tar,	221.35	
Fidelity Gas Light Co., tar,	165.00	
National Coal Tar Co., pitch bill,	33.80	
T. D. Crowell, fire wood,	2.00	
Joseph G. Pachico, labor,	39.32	
F. P. Bunker, “	45.03	
Antone Cabral, “	20.00	
Manuel Pachute, “	22.17	
Jos. DeBettencourt, “	20.00	
James Menese, “	23.51	
• M. M. Silvia, “	19.69	
Andrew Silvia, “	22.17	
Jules Pachico, “	20.34	
M. F. Pachute, “	24.67	
Joseph Enos, “	20.99	
Joseph S. Cardoza, “	17.34	
Manuel Machado, “	11.01	
M. S. DeBettencourt, labor with team,	53.50	
John C. Hamblin, “ “ “	60.00	
Vineyard Grove Co., 200 loads of sand,	10.00	

H. N. Pease, oil,	\$2.92	
Linton, Worth & Co., oil,	2.73	
	<hr/>	\$900.92
Overdrawn,		<hr/> \$50.92

NASHAWENA PARK ROADS, CONCRETE.

Received from Selectmen,	\$175.00	
Received from Abutters,	176.00	
	<hr/>	\$351.00
Manuel M. Silvia, labor,	\$10.50	
Joseph G. Pachico, “	21.00	
James Menese, “	18.00	
Frank P. Bunker, “	23.62	
John Custadio, “	18.00	
Antone Silvia, “	8.17	
Henry Correia, “	8.17	
M. S. DeBettencourt, labor with team, carting sand,	13.50	
John C. Hamblin, labor with team, carting sand,	20.50	
John C. Hamblin, stone,	40.80	
M. S. DeBettencourt, stone,	18.20	
National Coal Tar Co., tar and carting,	69.29	
W. A. Vanderhoof, freight on tar,	2.90	
National Coal Tar Co., tar and pitch,	77.35	
	<hr/>	350.00
Unexpended,		<hr/> \$1.00

Received from Selectmen.	Departments.	Amount Expended
\$200.00	Sweeping Streets,	\$210.75
150.00	Dirt Roads,	168.91
850.00	Repair of Concrete,	900.92
200.00	Bulkheads and Bridges,	131.70
22.89	Survey Niantic avenue and Nashawena Park roads,	22.89
Of Selectmen, 175.00	Concrete, Nashawena	
Of Abuttors, 176.00	Park roads,	350.00
11.44	Balance unexpended by last year's report,	
Balance, Feb. 16, 1903.		.16
\$1,785.33		\$1,785.33

FRANK P. BUNKER,
JOHN C. HAMBLIN,
MANUEL S. DEBETTENCOURT, } Road Commissioners
of
Cottage City.

Park Commissioners' Report.

To the Citizens of Cottage City:—

The Park Commissioners would respectfully submit the following report for the year 1902 :

Appropriation for 1902,		\$300.00
Unexpended balance from 1901,		5.85
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		305.85
Paid Cottage City Water Company for laying new pipe to lakes in Ocean Park,	\$60.00	
Paid Cottage City Water Company for water service,	12.00	
Paid Walter T. Pierce for cementing lakes in Ocean Park,	40.00	
Paid McGrath Bros., for labor on all of the parks,	200.00	
	<hr/>	312.00
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Amount overdrawn,		\$6.15

We hope the town will, at the annual meeting, see the necessity of appropriating five hundred dollars, that the com-

missioners may care for and beautify the parks in such a manner as to satisfy, as much as possible, the desires of residents and non-residents.

The town is indebted to Miss Susan Hutchinson of Penacook avenue for her public spirit in interesting the abutters in purchasing for Penacook Park ten maple trees which were planted last fall.

GEORGE A. SMITH.

JOHN W. McGRATH.

Health Report.

Fellow Citizens:—

Your Board of Health submit the following report :

The board organized in March, 1902, with George P. Briggs as chairman and Charles W. Norton as secretary.

The rules and regulations of 1901 were continued and printed in the Martha's Vineyard Herald.

The contract for cleaning vaults and emptying cesspools was awarded to N. D. Webb. the work to be according to the rules of the Board of Health ; the price to be \$1.25 per load from cesspools, and 50 cents per barrel from vaults ; the same to be paid by the parties for whom the work is done.

The contract for collecting swill and garbage from June 15 to October 1, 1902, was awarded to Joseph Bernado ; the swill and garbage to be collected once a day from all private houses on the Bluffs, and every other day on the Highlands. This does not include hotels and boarding-houses, which are obliged to care for their own refuse.

The contract for the removal of ashes and rubbish, from June 15 to October 1st, 1902, was also awarded to Joseph Bernado ; the same to be collected twice a month from dwellings. We ask for an appropriation for the removal of ashes and refuse.

GEO. P. BRIGGS, Chairman.

C. W. NORTON, Secretary.

J. H. GORHAM.

Report of Board of Engineers.

The following report of the Board of Engineers for the year ending March 1st, 1903, is respectfully submitted:

The force consists of seventy-nine men in the following named companies:—

Steamer Company No. 1.

Hydrant Hose Company No. 1.

Highland Hose Company No. 2.

Contest Chemical Company No. 2.

Hook and Ladder Company No. 1.

APPARATUS.

One Button Steam Fire Engine.

Two 80-gallon Chemical Engines.

Two Hose Wagons.

One Hook and Ladder Truck.

Two Hose Reels.

Three thousand five hundred feet of hose.

Three Underwriter Chemical Extinguishers.

A fire alarm of eleven street boxes, fifteen house alarms, two bell alarms, and a complete cell battery for furnishing electricity to run the same.

FIRES.

August 29, at 4.30 P. M., from box 42, for fire in build-

ing on Penacock avenue owned by Isabelle J. Abbott and occupied by her as a store. Cause, overturned lamp. Loss on building, \$550.00; valuation, \$600.00. Loss on contents, \$125.00; valuation, \$150.00.

September 29, from box 42, for fire in building No. 28 Rural Circle, (Camp Ground); owner, R. H. Hill. Cause, unknown. Loss on building, \$155.00; insurance, \$250.00; valuation, \$300.00. Loss on furniture, \$40.00; insurance, \$50.00.

December 1, 6 A. M., from box 41, for fire in building on Circuit Avenue owned by Addie T. Chamberlain, and occupied by Mrs. Dow as a bakery. Cause, unknown. Loss on building, \$640.00; insurance, \$1,000.00; valuation, \$800.00. Loss on contents, \$100.00; (Mrs. Dow). Columbia Hotel loss, \$100.00; no insurance; valuation, \$2,000.00. The Monohansett loss, \$20.00; insurance, \$1,000.00; valuation, \$2,000.00.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

We recommend that the town raise and appropriate the following sums for the purposes named:

Contingent fund,	\$350.00
Fuel and lights,	190.00
Firemen,	350.00
Steward Steamer House and Town Hall,	150.00
Engineer Steamer No. 1,	150.00
Fireman Steamer No. 1,	15.00
Steward Hydrant Hose House,	35.00
Steward Highland Hose House,	25.00
Steward Chemical No. 2 House,	25.00
Chief Engineer,	25.00

Clerk of Board of Engineers,	\$20.00
Superintendent of fire alarm,	25.00
Care of fire alarm battery,	75.00
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Total,	\$1,435.00

To the officials and citizens for the interest manifested, for the hearty support of the officers and members of the fire department, and for the faithful manner in which they have performed their duties, we return our thanks.

GEO. A. BURGESS,
 ANDREW WARREN,
 A. A. BUZZELL,
 J. L. MAYHEW,
 HERBERT A. EDDY.

Report of Finance Committee.

The Finance Committee of the town respectfully submits the following report to its citizens for their approval :

Firemen,	\$350.00
Engineer, Steamer No. 1,	150.00
Fireman, Steamer No. 1,	15.00
Steward, Steamer House and Town Hall,	150.00
Steward, Hydrant Hose House, and care chemical engine,	35.00
Steward, Highland Hose House,	25.00
Steward, Chemical No. 2 House,	25.00
Clerk, Board of Engineers,	20.00
Superintendent of fire alarm,	25.00
Care of fire alarm battery,	75.00
Fuel and lights, fire department,	190.00
Contingent expenses, fire department,	350.00
Incidentals,	1,000.00
Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor,	100.00
Assessors,	300.00
Treasurer,	100.00
School Committee,	75.00
Town Clerk,	40.00
Auditor,	25.00
Superintendent of Schools,	87.50
Board of Health,	75.00

Collector of Taxes, salary for 1900,	\$300.00
Night watchman,	450.00
Sweeping streets,	200.00
Repairs of concrete,	1,500.00
Repairs of dirt roads,	300.00
Bulkheads and bridges,	300.00
Lighting streets,	4,050.00
Police,	500.00
Public Library,	150.00
Public parks,	300.00
Memorial Day,	25.00
Schools and transportation of scholars,	3,950.00
School expenses and sanitary work,	500.00
Town debt and interest,	6,000.00
Support of poor,	1,500.00
Collection of swill and garbage, and Health ex- penses,	275.00
Hydrant rental, 51 hydrants,	2,040.00
Amusement fund,	500.00
Cemetery faucet,	15.00
Repairs of plank walk, Sea View avenue,	100.00
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	\$26,167.50

NOTE:—Your committee refers the appropriation for Lagoon bridge draw, etc., to the town meeting.

OTIS FOSS, Chairman,

CHARLES L. SCRANTON, Secretary.

Cottage City, Mass., Feb. 23, 1903.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Term expires 1903.

HENRY C. CHADWICK.
JOHN E. LOOK.
HORATIO N. PEASE.
EUGENE HAYDEN.
FRANK J. PERRY.

Term expires 1904.

FRANK L. LOOK.
OTIS FOSS.
HERBERT A. EDDY.
HERBERT L. NORTON.
CHARLES L. SCRANTON.

Term expires 1905.

WILLIAM D. HARDING.
JOHN L. MAYHEW.
EDWARD B. HANES.
HAMILTON J. GREENE.
FRANK P. BUNKER.

Annual Town Meeting.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

DUKES COUNTY, ss.

To either of the Constables in the Town of Cottage City:

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Cottage City, qualified to vote in town affairs and elections, to assemble at the TOWN HALL, in said Cottage City, on MONDAY, THE NINTH DAY OF MARCH, A. D. 1903, at seven o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following named articles, viz :—

ARTICLE 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ARTICLE 2. To elect the following named town officers :

A Town Clerk.

A Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor for three years.

A Treasurer.

A Collector of Taxes.

Two members of the School Committee for three years.

A member of the Board of Health for three years.

A member of the Board of Road Commissioners for three years.

A member of the Board of Park Commissioners for three years.

Two Constables.

An Auditor.

A Tree Warden for one year.

And to vote on the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

The polls for the reception of votes for all the aforesaid officers, and said question, will be opened at 7.15 o'clock in the forenoon, and will be closed at 11.15 o'clock in the forenoon, unless a later hour be determined upon by the meeting.

ARTICLE 3. To elect all other necessary town officers.

ARTICLE 4. To hear the reports of Selectmen, Auditor and other committees.

ARTICLE 5. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to pay town debts and appropriations for the ensuing year, and to make appropriations of the same.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire such sums of money as may be necessary in anticipation of taxes for the year 1903, and payable therefrom.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the town will approve the list of persons to serve as jurors, as made out by the Selectmen.

ARTICLE 8. To see what action the town will take relative to night watch.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the town will fix a time for the payment of all taxes assessed, and will direct what rate of interest shall be demanded in case taxes are not paid at the time specified.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the town will instruct the Assessors to remit all such taxes as cannot, in their judgment, be collected.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the town will pay firemen the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the town will furnish firemen with waterproof coats and hats; the same to be marked "C. C. F. D.," and to be held as town property, and kept on each piece of apparatus for fire purposes only, as petitioned for by Freeman R. Cottle and forty-one others.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the town will appropriate a suitable sum of money for the observance of "Old Home Week," July 26 to August 2, 1903, as petitioned for by William D. Harding and nine others.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the town will continue the concrete on Sea View Avenue in a southerly direction, connecting said avenue with the State Highway, a distance of five hundred feet, more or less, as petitioned for by Allen R. Norton and eleven others.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the town will accept Sections 1, 2, 3 and 4 of Chapter 101 of the Revised Laws of Massachusetts, relating to burnt, dilapidated or dangerous buildings.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the town will vote to concrete that

portion of Lake and Oak Bluff Avenues, near the foot of Circuit Avenue, between the present concrete and the car tracks. yl

ARTICLE 17. To see if the town will rescind its vote whereby it decided to elect Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor for three years, and hereafter elect for one year; as provided in Revised Laws, Chapter 11, Sections 339 and 340, as petitioned for by William D. Harding and twelve others.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the town will vote to rescind its action relative to a Board of Road Commissioners taken at the Annual meeting held March 13, 1893, and thereby abolish its Board of Road Commissioners.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the town will vote to concrete the roadway on the north side of Nashawena Park, opposite the lots of Mary A. Durfee, Emeline R. Field, and Charles E. Spaulding, provided the above-named lot owners pay one-half the expense of said concreting. yl

And to act upon and transact all business which may legally come before said meeting.

Hereof fail not and give public notice by causing this warrant to be published in the Martha's Vineyard Herald, and by posting two copies thereof in two public places in the town at least seven days before the time of said meeting.

And make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk, at the time and place specified in this warrant.

Given under our hands this twenty-eighth day of February, one thousand nine hundred and three.

ELMER E. LANDERS,	}	Selectmen
THOMAS D. CROWELL,		of
EDMUND G. ELDRIDGE,		Cottage City.

Pursuant to above instructions, I hereby notify and warn the inhabitants of said town of Cottage City, qualified to vote, as expressed in this warrant, to meet at the time and place and for the purpose specified.

LARROY S. LEWIS, Constable.

Cottage City, Mass., Feb. 28, 1903.



Annual

School Report,

1902=03.



Superintendent's Report.

Members of the School Committee of Cottage City:

GENTLEMEN.—I have the honor to submit for your consideration the report of the public schools for the year ending Feb. 14, 1903.

The schools are in a more prosperous condition than at any previous time during the period of my supervision. The discipline is firmer and the instruction is better. During the last fiscal year the schools have been in session thirty-seven weeks. On June 13 the natural school year of thirty-six weeks closed with the exercises of graduation. There were three pupils in the graduating class, two girls and a boy. State Agent Bailey was present, by invitation, to deliver the address.

During the spring vacation, to relieve the overburdened teacher of the grammar room, and to distribute more equally the responsibilities of discipline, one of the recitation rooms was furnished with seats and desks, and pupils of grades VII and VIII were transferred to it and placed in charge of Miss Loring. This has resulted in an improvement of the general order, and of the efficiency of the service.

The membership of the high school has increased in three years from eight to twenty-two. As a result of this larger membership there was no longer room to seat the ninth grade pupils in the high school room, and some readjustment in the seating of the pupils became necessary. The

eighth and ninth grades were seated in the smaller grammar room, and in the larger grammar room are grades V, VI, VII.

The sessions of Grades I and II were shortened one-half hour, and now close at 11.30 o'clock in the morning and at 3.30 o'clock in the afternoon. The teachers of those grades during the two periods thus made vacant conduct recitations of classes from the grammar room.

At the last regular meeting of the Board before the summer vacation all the teachers then in the employment of the town were re-elected for another year. With the exception of Miss Norman all the teachers notified the Board of their acceptance. Miss Odiorne was transferred to the high school; Miss Moulton, to the lower grammar; and Miss Ames to the sub-primary.

By the change of teachers some rearrangement of program was necessitated in the high school with the result that Miss Royal is the only teacher in the building who is teaching entirely the same subjects as last year. The school therefore is passing through a stress of readjustment which naturally interferes to some extent with the progress of the school work.

To fill the vacancy in the intermediate school brought about by the transfer of Miss Ames, the committee were fortunate in securing the services of Miss Elizabeth LeProhon, a competent teacher of experience and skill, who has successfully adapted her instruction and discipline to the peculiar and difficult conditions that confronted her in a new school. During the Christmas recess Miss Ames, who for nearly four years had creditably served the schools of our town, tendered her resignation to accept a more lucrative position elsewhere. Miss LeProhon at her urgent request was transferred to grade I, and Miss Wing, of Boston, a

teacher of successful experience has been secured to teach the intermediate school.

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT.

In this department it has been the aim to bring the work into line with the advance movements in primary instruction. Supplementary readers provided for use in these grades have been productive of much good. An effort is being made in language work to have an expression of ideas gained from observation and reproduction of stories in place of the mechanical construction of sentences to illustrate grammatical principles. No fixed course of language study can long represent the work of a progressive school, hence it is only possible to state in general terms the trend of the instruction. This trend is in the greater use of supplementary reading; the basing of the language work—oral and written—upon observation, and the literature of the grade; and the introduction of oral history into these grades.

In all the grades of the school, in fact, it is desirable that more supplementary reading be provided. In the selection of this reading the literary quality should be held uppermost. School children should receive the culture that comes from acquaintance with good literature through abundant reading of classic authors. History readers, geography readers, science readers and other books of useful information, however interesting they may be, are not literature in the best sense of the term. Collateral reading to supplement the various school subjects of study are of value, but should be carefully distinguished from that literature which kindles the imagination and touches the emotions.

In the primary grades fables, ballads, and folk-stories furnish suitable material of literary excellence. "They are the very primary stuff of literature," and therefore serve as a suitable introduction to the child's study of literature.

On October 29, 30, and 31 the Dukes County Educational Association held its annual meeting at Cottage City. Several educators of prominence were secured to address the teachers in attendance. The addresses were interesting and instructive. To insure a permanent record accessible to the public, I insert below the daily program :

DUKES COUNTY EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION.
ORDER OF EXERCISES.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 29.

7.30, "Some of the Causes and Results of our late Civil War,"

DR. WM. A. MOWRY.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30.

9.00, "The Ward Method of Teaching Reading."

MRS. SUSAN H. WALLIS.

10.00, Arithmetic.

DR. MOWRY.

11.00, "Language Training in the Elementary Schools."

DR. JOHN T. PRINCE.

12.00, Business Meeting.

1.30, "School Management."

DR. MOWRY.

2.15, The Ward Method continued.

3.30, "History in the High School."

DR. PRINCE.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31.

9.00. "School Discipline."

A. P. AVERILL.

9.45, Round Table Conference.

12.00, Doxology ; adjournment.

On account of the coal famine the expense of heating the school building has been increased, but by the wise foresight of the chairman of the Board an early supply of coal was ob-

tained at an advantageous price, and the schools were thus enabled to continue without interruption.

During the summer the installation in the basement of the school-house of sanitary arrangements of a modern pattern was completed. This was a much needed improvement greatly increasing the moral as well as the physical well-being of the children.

The attendance data for the natural school year ending June, 1902, is appended to this report. The attendance for the term ending in December was as follows :

	Whole Number Attending.	Average Membership,	Average Attendance.	Per Cent. of Attendance.
High School,	23	21.7	19.5	89.9
Upper Grammar,	20	18.5	17.4	94
Lower Grammar,	34	31.5	30.7	97.4
Intermediate,	42	36.8	35.5	96.4
Primary,	26	24.3	22.7	93.4
Sub-Primary,	34	32	29.9	93.4

Thus through the co-operation of many helpers our work is progressing. I wish to thank them all, and to record my appreciation of your confidence and hearty support.

Respectfully submitted,

ANDREW P. AVERILL.

Cottage City, Mass., Feb. 14, 1903.

Principal's Report.

To the Superintendent of Schools:

I hereby submit the following report of the condition of the Cottage City schools :

There have been many changes during the past year which give pleasure to all interested in the welfare and progress of the schools. Among them I wish to mention the sanitary improvements and the gain in attendance.

In September, 1898, ninety-eight children attended school during the first week, the remainder coming during the next five or six weeks. This year, 1902, one hundred and forty-six children were present during the first week of school. This gain is due to two reasons. One being the special care taken to oblige the attendance of all children of school age in the town. The other, the increasing interest in school work on the part of scholars and parents.

This interest is due, partly, I think to the exhibitions of work done in school by the children. They have been an encouragement to them, have raised their spirit and bettered their general behavior. It was helped by the splendid talk and praise given them last June by State Agent Henry T. Bailey. The class work is much better, as it has fewer interruptions due to scholars entering at different times in the year.

While this obtains for good, I desire to call attention to a point wherein the home can assist the school in its progress.

The children as a rule are deficient in general information, due to situation, not being near any great industry. By general information I mean a knowledge of what is doing, and what is being done in the world's industries, such as manufacturing, mining, agriculture, and commerce. Knowledge of how they are conducted, of their value to us, and to the world. From this to a knowledge of our place among the world's people engaged in business. Thus the scholar will learn to appreciate his country, her wealth, her power, and her growth; her position among sister nations, and to have a love of country based on real values.

To overcome this I wish to suggest the use of the newspaper, magazine and library. From these he will get the needed information to keep him in touch with the world's progress. From the newspaper he should cull important facts; facts of civic, political or industrial import. The magazines likewise will add to this general information, special facts on special lines. Most families have the newspaper; many have the magazine; some magazines can be found in the library. Thus with home influence to incite him he will keep up his school work outside of school, thereby holding himself in touch with the world's progress. The child and parent can proceed hand in hand both learning and broadening their view and their thought.

The library has books which can be thought into four classes, the story or novel, history, science and travel. Among these can be found matter that will interest all. A list of books to be read along these lines is being prepared and will shortly be placed in the library for the use of all library-users. Any one over fourteen years of age can be a library-user.

All these facilities used and made a part of the every-day life will raise the scholarship of the individual. By so rais-

ing the scholarship in the school our high school can be one of those approved by the State Board of Education; making, for those scholars who may desire to attend any of the Normal Schools, entrance much easier. It is of interest to us since we have a graduate of our schools who this year is graduating from one of the State Normal Schools. There are other children at present in school who are looking forward to a course in a Normal School. Another change in our schools is necessary to bring them up to standard; that is, the school year must be lengthened two weeks at least, the requirement being a thirty-eight week year.

We need at present in our schools, to assist in carrying out these suggestions, and the regular work of the school, more apparatus and more reference books. These are of vital importance to us as the school is poor in this respect, especially reference books. The apparatus and books can be furnished at small expense by buying steadily in small quantities, at different times, resulting in the acquisition of the needed apparatus and required works of reference. No school can progress that has not a good supply of its necessary tools of trade, namely, the reference book for advanced or special study; and apparatus to show and explain the working of the laws of Nature, which at this stage of the world is of immense importance.

I trust that the way may be found to accomplish these suggestions. I am sure that all will agree that they are not unnecessary nor extravagant, but of invaluable importance to make our schools the best that they can. I wish also to thank superintendent, committee, teachers, all townspeople for the cordial support they are giving to the schools. The children of the future will record these thanks by their progress and success in the part they play in the world's battle of life.

May they be very successful.

Respectfully,

H. H. HARRIMAN,

Principal of Schools.

Cottage City, Mass., Feb. 13, 1903.

School Statistics for Year Ending June, 1902.

TEACHERS.	Grades.	Salary.	Total Enrollment.	Females.	Males.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per Cent. of Attendance.	Average Tardiness per Pupil.	Average Absence per Pupil.	Number of Pupils Not Absent During Year.	Number of Pupils Not Tardy During Year.	Number of Pupils under Five Years of Age.	Number of Pupils Between Five and Fifteen Years of Age.	Number of Pupils over Fifteen Years of Age.	Number of Pupils Between Seven and Fourteen Years of Age.	Total Number of Visitors
H. H. Harriman, Principal...	XIII.	\$700	25	14	11	22.9	21.9	95.6	2	6.9	4	10	0	10	15	2	94
Elizabeth Norman.....	XI.	\$500															
	X.																
	IX.																
Harriette Royal.....	VI.	\$160	34	16	18	28.8	27.2	94.5	3.5	10	1	6	0	31	4	31	75
Emily I. Odiome.....	V.	\$200															
Lucy Loring.....	VIII.	\$360	26	12	14	20.3	19.2	94.9	3.1	9	2	8	0	25	1	20	118
	VII.																
Edith Ames.....	IV.	\$360	52	27	25	41.4	39.5	95.9	.6	11	0	12	0	52	0	52	64
	III.																
Katheryn Royal.....	II.	\$295	28	15	13	24.9	24	95.8	4.5	8	3	13	0	28	0	25	69
Stella Moulton.....	I.	\$295	35	11	24	31	28.3	91.3	7.1	16.5	0	3	1	34	0	6
Totals .....		.....	200	95	105	169.3	160.1	.....	.....	.....	10	52	1	180	20	136

Roll of Honor.

PERFECT IN ATTENDANCE.

ONE TERM.

Joseph De Bettencourt.
Franklin Norton.
Frank Matthews.
Ethel Barney.
William Harding.
Bertha Look.
Hilda Ripley.
Mary De Bettencourt.
Norman Smith.
Frank De Bettencourt.
John Nunes.
Domingo Alley.
Anna Custadio.
Russell Look.
Joseph Pachico.
Mary Pachico.
Joseph Peters.
Virginia Pirmental.
Lucy Thomas.
Charles Vincent.
Joseph Lawrence.
Anna Thomas.
Norman Thomas.

Milton Welch.
Henrietta Custadio.

TWO TERMS.

Zenas Mayhew.
Grace Welch.
Elizabeth Harding.
Sada Pease.
Anthony Medeiros.
Warren Bowman.
Elsie Stratton.
Anna Lawrence.
Eddie Wentworth.
Laura Look.
Warren Peters.
Louis Wentworth.
Joseph Burgess.

THREE TERMS.

Gertrude Bowman.
Florence Charves.
Harold Look.
Irene Landers.
Earl Dow.
Manuel Medeiros.
Aurora Burgess.

Report of School Committee.

In presenting this report upon the condition of the schools and the progress made, we deem any lengthy report unnecessary in view of the comprehensive report of the superintendent and principal of the schools, of which we invite a careful perusal.

The sanitary work begun last year has been completed, and is giving good satisfaction.

The school building is very much in need of a coat of paint to preserve the window frames, sashes, and other painted work, for which the sum of \$100 will be required, and this amount we have included in the appropriation recommended for school expenses.

We recommend the following appropriations for the maintenance of the schools the ensuing year :

Salaries,	\$3,015.00
Transportation of scholars,	252.00
Janitor,	360.00
Fuel,	400.00
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	\$4,027.00
Less \$75.00 school fund.	
School expenses,	\$600.00
Superintendent's salary,	\$87.50

DAVID J. BARNEY,
HORATIO N. PEASE,
GEORGE W. MASON,
JOHN D. KING,
ALFRED A. BUZZELL,
WILLIAM E. DOANE.

School Calendar.

1903.

Spring term begins March 23 ; closes June 12.

Fall term begins September 14 ; closes December 18.

(ONE WEEK VACATION.)

Winter term begins December 28 ; closes March 4, 1904.

Spring term, 1904, begins March 14 ; closes June 3.

Names of Scholars Enrolled.

Alley, Domingo
Alley, Frank
Alley, George
Andrews, Benjamin
Andrews, William H.
Applebee, Florence
Applebee L. Esther
Barney, Ethel L.
Bernado, Alfred W.
Bernado, John
Bernado, Mary
Bernado, Virginia
Besse, Bertha E.
Besse, Walter
Blankenship, Frank
Blankenship, William R.
Bordess, Henry
Bordess, Manuel
Bordess, Mary
Bowman, Gertrude I.
Bowman, Warren
Bunker, Eva I.
Bunker, Frank C.
Bunker, Grace M.
Bunker, Harold
Bunker, Charles W.
Burgess, Aurora
Burgess, Joseph
Burgess, Mary
Buzzell, Albert L.
Cabral, Manuel
Cawthorn, Arthur

Chandler, Harry L.
Chandler, Lester
Charves, Florence
Chase, H. Weston
Cordoza, James
Cordoza, Mary
Custadio, Anna M.
Custadio, Louisa
Custadio, Henrietta
Custadio, Mary
DeBettencourt, Frank S.
DeBettencourt, John S.
DeBettencourt, Joseph S.
DeBettencourt, Manuel S.
DeBettencourt, Mary S.
Douart, Edward
Douart, Frank
Douart, Joseph S.
Douart, Joseph
Douart, Mary
Eddy, Bertha L.
Eldridge, Louise E.
Fereira, Celia
Fereira, Francis
Fereira, Jule
Fereira, Lizzie
Gallegher, Josephine
Grassie, Antone
Grassie, Joseph
Grassie, Mary
Grassie, Pauline
Greene, Gladys

Hamblin, Edna M.	Medeiros, Manuel
Hamblin, Olive D.	Medeiros, Marie
Harding, Elizabeth D.	Moore, Carrol
Harding, May L.	Norton, Alice G.
Harriman, Edward N.	Norton, Edna E.
Healis, George	Norton, H. Franklin
Healis, Richard	Norton, Ina
Joseph, Antone	Norton, Russell A.
Joseph, Willie	Nicholson, Horace
Landers, Irene V.	Nunes, Isabella
Lawrence, Anna	Nunes, John
Lawrence, Joseph	Nunes, Joseph
Leach, Bertha F.	Nunes, Rosa
Leach, Josephine A.	Odiorne, Roxie
Leach, Olive M.	Orpen, Margaret
Legall, Alma	
Legall, Ivy	Pachico, Fannie
Legall, John	Pachico, Joseph
Legall, Leonard	Pachico, Joseph G.
Legall, William	Pachico, Manuel G.
Lewis, Mary	Pachico, Mary
Lewis, Virginia	Pachico, Mary G.
Look, Bertha	Pachico, Rosa G.
Look, Harold G.	Pease, Albert
Look, J. Russell	Pease, Elva
Look, Laura R.	Pease, Gladys
Look, Lester L.	Pease, Sara
Look, Milton L.	Perkins, Lester W., Jr.
Look, Stanley M.	Perry, Clara
Lovett, James H.	Perkins, Karl
Lovett, William	Peters, Charles
Martin, Joseph	Peters, Chester
Martin, Mary	Peters, Clarence
Matthews, Frank O.	Peters, John
Mayhew, Mark H.	Peters, Joseph
Mayhew, Zenas D.	Pimental, Virginia
McGrath, Anna E.	Pratt, Alice
McGrath, Mary E.	Pratt, Norman
Menese, Emma	
Metelle, Amy	Ripley, Hilda E.
Medeiros, Antone	Ripley, Marjorie M.
Medeiros, Maggie	Rosa, Antone
	Rose, Frank

Serpa, Mary
Silvado, Carrie
Silvado, Mary
Silvey, E. Vivian

Silvia, Albert
Silvia, Alfred
Silvia, Antone
Silvia, Fannie
Silvia, Frank
Silvia, Mary C.
Silvia, Anna
Silvia, Mary R.
Silvia, John
Silvia, Joseph A.
Silvia, Joseph
Silvia, Mannel
Smith, Ernest
Smith, Norman
Smith, Ralph

Spencer, Lewis
Stowe, Christine B.
Stratton, Elsie
Swift, May E.

Thomas, Annie
Thomas, Lucy
Thomas, Norman

Vincent, Alida

Washburn, Otis
Washburn, Reynolds
Webb, Ernest
Welch, Grace B.
Welch, Nathan
Welch, Warren
Welch, Milton
Wentworth, Arthur
Wentworth, Eddie
Wentworth, Lewis

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Town Officers.

SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

THOMAS D. CROWELL,
EDMUND G. ELDRIDGE,
ELMER E. LANDERS.

CLERK.

WILLIAM D. HARDING.

TREASURER.

ZENAS D. LINTON.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

FRANCIS P. VINCENT.

AUDITOR.

FREDERICK W. SMITH.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

ALFRED A. BUZZELL,
GEORGE W. MASON,
JOHN D. KING,
HORATIO N. PEASE,
DAVID J. BARNEY,
JOHN C. HAMBLIN.

HEALTH OFFICERS.

SHERMAN T. MEARA,
CHARLES W. NORTON,
CHARLES T. BESSE.

BOARD OF ENGINEERS, FIRE DEPARTMENT.

GEORGE A. BURGESS,
ANDREW WARREN,
HERBERT A. EDDY,
JOHN L. MAYHEW,
ALFRED A. BUZZELL.

ROAD COMMISSIONERS.

JOHN C. HAMBLIN,
MANUEL S. DE BETTENCOURT,
ELIJAH G. MILLS.

PARK COMMISSIONERS.

JOHN W. McGRATH,
JOHN E. SANDIFORD,
FRANK F. RICE.

CONSTABLES.

LARROY S. LEWIS,
ELI A. LEIGHTON.

CEMETERY COMMITTEE.

JOB H. GORHAM,
SIDNEY S. HICKS,
LARROY S. LEWIS.

SURVEYORS OF LUMBER, AND MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK

DAVID J. BARNEY,
HENRY H. RICE.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

GEORGE H. STRATTON.

POUND KEEPER.

HIRAM DAGGETT.

FENCE VIEWERS.

CHARLES T. LUCE,

FRANK W. CHASE,

MANUEL S. DE BETTENCOURT.

FIELD DRIVERS.

HIRAM DAGGETT,

JOHN W. McGRATH,

JOHN JONES.

Valuation May 1st, 1903.

Resident personal property,	\$63,325.00
Non-resident personal property,	11,000.00
Total personal estate,	\$74,325.00
Resident real estate,	\$535,350.00
Non-resident real estate,	1,058,450.00
Total real estate,	\$1,593,800.00
Total valuation,	\$1,668,125.00
Total resident valuation,	\$598,675.00
Total non-resident valuation,	1,069,450.00
Total valuation,	\$1,668,125.00
Rate of taxation, \$19.00 per \$1,000.00.	
Tax on personal property,	\$1,412.18
Tax on real estate,	30,282.20
Total property tax,	\$31,694.38
Tax on 243 polls,	486.00
Total tax assessed May 1st, 1903,	\$32,180.38

State tax assessed,	\$1,300.00
State Highway tax assessed,	118.50
County tax assessed,	3,112.69
Town tax assessed,	27,472.90
Overlayings,	176.29

Total tax assessed May 1st, 1903,	\$32,180.38
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Tax bills delivered to Francis P. Vincent, Collector, August 11, 1903.

The following items of information are taken from the Assessors' books for 1903 :

Number of horses,	111
“ cows,	111
“ dwelling houses,	1,113
“ acres of land assessed,	3,423
“ tax payers,	1,524
“ persons paying poll tax only,	93
“ persons paying tax on property,	1,431

Town Property.

The following is a schedule of town property as furnished by the Selectmen :

School buildings and land,	\$14,000.00
Other buildings and furnishings,	3,650.00
One lot on Pequot avenue,	300.00
Land at cemetery,	800.00
Vault,	800.00

FIRE APPARATUS.

Hose house and lot, (Highlands),	750.00
Hose house,	200.00
One steam fire engine,	2,800.00
Two hose carts,	250.00
Two wagons, hose and fixtures,	700.00
Hose and pipes,	2,000.00
Two chemical engines,	800.00
One hook and ladder truck,	100.00
Fire alarm,	1,000.00
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	\$28,150.00

Exempted Property.

Baptist church and land,	\$2,200.00
Baptist Association, Temple and land,	2,000.00
“ “ office and land,	2,500.00
Catholic church and land,	1,000.00
Episcopal Society, church and land,	4,000.00
Methodist Church, church,	3,000.00
“ “ chapel,	1,500.00
Martha's Vineyard Camp-Meeting Association, Tabernacle, office and land,	26,000.00
Martha's Vineyard Summer Institute, Agassiz Hall,	4,000.00
Martha's Vineyard Association, band stand,	1,000.00
Union Chapel Association, chapel and land,	6,000.00
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	\$53,200.00

Appropriations for 1903.

Firemen,	\$350.00
Engineer, Steamer No. 1,	150.00
Fireman, Steamer No. 1,	15.00
Steward, Steamer House and Town Hall,	150.00
Steward, Hydrant Hose House,	35.00
Steward, Highland Hose House,	25.00
Steward, Chemical No. 2 House,	25.00
Clerk, Board of Engineers,	20.00
Chief Engineer, fire department,	25.00
Superintendent of fire alarm,	25.00
Care of fire alarm battery,	75.00
Fuel and lights, fire department,	190.00
Contingent expenses, fire department,	350.00
Incidentals,	1,000.00
Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor,	100.00
Assessors,	300.00
Treasurer,	100.00
School Committee,	75.00
Town Clerk,	40.00
Auditor,	25.00
Board of Health,	75.00
Collector of Taxes, salary for 1900,	300.00
Night watchman,	450.00

Sweeping streets,	\$200.00
Repairs of concrete,	1,500.00
Repairs of dirt roads,	300.00
Bulkheads and bridges,	300.00
Lighting streets,	4,050.00
Police,	500.00
Public Library,	150.00
Public Parks,	300.00
Memorial Day,	25.00
Schools and transportation of scholars,	3,950.00
School expenses,	500.00
Superintendent of Schools,	86.00
Town debt and interest,	6,000.00
Support of Poor,	1,500.00
Collection of swill and garbage and health ex- penses,	275.00
Hydrant rental,	2,040.00
Amusement fund,	500.00
Painting, School House,	100.00
Plank walk, Sea View avenue,	100.00
Concrete, Sea View avenue,	500.00
Concrete, Nashawena Park,	175.00
Concrete, Lake and Oak Bluffs avenue,	75.00
Coats and hats, fire department,	126.90
South cemetery,	20.00
Lagoon draw bridge,	300.00
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	\$27,472.90

Expenditures.

Salaries of Town Officers.

SELECTMEN AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Thomas D. Crowell, services, (Chairman),	\$50.00
Edmund G. Eldridge, “	25.00
Elmer E. Landers, “	25.00
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	\$100.00

ASSESSORS.

Thomas D. Crowell, services,	\$100.00
Edmund G. Eldridge, “	100.00
Elmer E. Landers, “	100.00
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	\$300.00

CLERK.

William D. Harding, services,	\$40.00
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TREASURER.

Zenas D. Linton, services,	\$100.00
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AUDITOR.

Herbert L. Norton, services,	\$25.00
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SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Alfred A. Buzzell, services,	\$12.50
George W. Mason, “	12.50
John D. King, “	12.50
Horatio N. Pease, “	12.50
David J. Barney, “	12.50
John C. Hamblin, “	6.25
William E. Doane, “	6.25
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	\$75.00

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Sherman T. Meara, services,	\$25.00
Charles W. Norton, “	25.00
Charles T. Besse, “	25.00
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	\$75.00

Superintendent of Schools.

Andrew P. Averill, salary as Superintendent of Schools, 12 months,	\$399.96
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Schools and Transportation of Scholars.

Henry H. Harriman, salary nine and one-quarter months at \$85 per month,	\$786.25
Emily I. Odiorne, salary three and three-quarter months at \$50 per month,	187.50
Gertrude E. Millard, salary five and one-half months at \$50 per month,	275.00
Lucy E. Loring, salary three and three-quarter months at \$40 per month,	150.00
Elizabeth M. LeProhon, salary three and three- quarter months at \$40 per month,	150.00
Stella M. Moulton, salary four and three-quarter months at \$40 per month,	190.00

Maude E. Wing, salary three and three-quarter months at \$40 per month,	\$150.00
Kathryn F. Royal, salary nine and one-quarter months at \$40 per month,	370.00
Agnes E. Steward, salary three and one-half months at \$40 per month,	140.00
Charlotte E. Allen, salary three and one-half months at \$40 per month,	140.00
Florence Carlton, salary five and one-half months at \$40 per month,	220.00
Rhoda A. Briggs, salary five and one-half months at \$40 per month,	220.00
Alice C. Paine, salary one and three-quarter months at \$40 per month,	70.00
David J. Barney, cash paid for substitute teachers,	46.00
Samuel Q. Rice, services as janitor 3 weeks at \$9 per week,	27.00
George W. Bowker, services as janitor 37 1-6 weeks at \$9 per week,	334.50
Emma Norton, transportation of scholars, 36 weeks at \$7 per week,	252.00
David J. Barney, wood and coal,	228.92
H. L. Norton & Co., coal,	210.00
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	\$4,147.17
Unexpended,	36.72
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Appropriation,	\$4,183.89

School Expenses.

Ginn & Co., books, supplies, etc.,	\$8.84
American Book Co., books,	15.55
Alonzo Ripley, labor,	4.48
E. E. Landers, school reports and supplies,	3.10

F. S. Brightman Co., ink and express,	\$4.25
H. C. Chadwick, supplies,	22.54
W. E. Doane, sundries,	2.00
Howard & Browne, diplomas and postage,	3.06
Cottage City Gas Co., gas at Union Chapel,	1.40
Cottage City Water Co., water rates,	9.90
Joseph Turnell, repairing clocks,	2.50
John L. Mayhew, labor and supplies,	8.60
F. D. Tripp, labor and supplies,	1.95
W. E. Doane, programs and supplies,	21.18
L. S. Lewis, services as truant officer,	9.45
S. Q. Rice, services as truant officer,	17.39
Edward E. Babb & Co., books and supplies,	47.13
J. L. Hammett Co., books and supplies,	23.51
Mary A. Russell, rent of piano,	5.00
R. K. Gordon & Son, floor dressing,	4.00
Educational Publishing Co., books,	14.59
Silver, Burdette & Co., books,	10.80
H. A. Dickerman & Son, pencils,	8.10
Houghton, Mifflin & Co., books,	5.74
H. H. Harriman, taking school census,	10.00
Fred F. Ames, oiling school house floors,	3.50
Everett Joy, asphaltum,	1.25
Andrew P. Averill, services securing teachers,	7.65
C. F. James, moving pianos,	9.00
A. A. Buzzell, freight and express,	3.11
M. J. Keegan, repairs at school house,	13.00
Maynard Merrill & Co., books,	2.40
S. S. Hicks, supplies for graduation,	2.15
H. A. Dickerman & Son, pencils and pen-hold- ers,	2.90
Cottage City Water Co., water supply,	48.00
J. L. Hammett Co., books and erasers,	4.54

F. D. Tripp, labor and material,	\$97.14
E. E. Babb & Co., books,	15.43
D. C. Heath & Co., books,	4.03
H. A. Eddy, stock and labor,	6.58
D. J. Barney, supplies, express, etc.,	6.91
A. A. Buzzell, freight and express,	4.32
J. L. Hammett Co., books,	2.68
E. E. Babb & Co., books,	6.48
A. P. Averill, telegram, and expense for teachers,	1.55
H. N. Pease, supplies,	4.50
E. E. Landers, printing,	2.50
Oliver Book Cover Co., covers,	3.75
F. D. Tripp, repairs,	.50
F. S. Brightman Co., ink,	4.25
Everett Joy, glass and varnish,	2.50
William Norton, repairs,	2.30
John L. Mayhew, repairs,	1.00
George S. Wheeler, rent of piano,	3.00
R. K. Gordon & Son, floor dressing.	4.00
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	\$535.98
Appropriation,	\$500.00
Overdrawn,	35.98
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	\$535.98

Fire Department.

FIREMEN.

Steamer Co. No. 1. services of 19 men 6 months,	\$47.50
Services of 20 men 6 months	50.00
Hydrant Hose Co., services of 19 men 6 months,	47.50
Services of 17 men 6 months,	42.50
Hook and Ladder Co., services of 13 men 6 months,	32.50

Services of 9 men 6 months,	\$22.50
Services of 4 men 2 months,	3.34
Services of 8 men 1 month,	3.34
Chemical Contest No. 2, services of 11 men 6 months,	27.50
Services of 10 men 6 months,	25.00
Services of 1 man 4 months,	1.67
Services of 1 man 3 months,	1.23
Highland Hose Co. No. 2, services of 14 men 6 months,	35.00
Services of 10 men 6 months,	25.00
Services of 2 men 2 months,	.83
Services of 1 man 4 months,	1.67
Services of 1 man 3 months,	1.25
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	\$368.33
Appropriation,	\$350.00
Overdrawn,	18.33
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	\$368.33

ENGINEER STEAMER No. 1.

Samuel E. McDonald, services one year, \$150.00

FIREMAN STEAMER No. 1.

Leonard B. Pease, services one year, \$15.00

STEWARD STEAMER HOUSE and TOWN HALL.

Everett Joy, services one year, \$150.00

STEWARD HYDRANT HOSE HOUSE.

LaRoy S. Lewis, services one year, \$35.00

STEWARD HIGHLAND HOSE HOUSE.

Sylvanus S. Carter, services one year, \$25.00

STEWARD CHEMICAL No. 2 House.

Albert Applebee, services one year, \$25.00

CHIEF ENGINEER, FIRE DEPARTMENT.

George A. Burgess, services one year,	\$25.00
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CLERK, BOARD OF ENGINEERS.

Alfred A. Buzzell, services one year,	\$20.00
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SUPERINTENDENT OF FIRE ALARM.

John L. Mayhew, services 9 months,	\$18.75
A. A. Buzzell, “ 3 months,	6.25

\$25.00

CARE OF FIRE ALARM BATTERY.

Everett Joy, services one year,	\$75.00
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FUEL AND LIGHTS.

Cottage City Gas Co., gas and fixtures at Steam- er House, Hydrant Hose House and Chemical House,	\$152.45
D. J. Barney, wood and coal,	65.88
N. D. Webb, carting coal, and labor,	2.00
H. N. Pease, oil,	.80
H. L. Norton, coal,	15.00
Manuel S. de Bettencourt, wood,	2.50

\$238.63

Appropriation	\$190.00
Overdrawn,	48.63

\$238.63

COATS AND HATS.

Sidney R. Baxter & Co., 4 dozen rubber coats,	\$80.80
4 dozen sou'westers,	18.68
Lee Farnham, lettering coats and hats,	6.00

\$105.48

Unexpended,	21.42
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Appropriation,	\$126.90
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CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

E. S. Bowman, repairs at Steamer House,	\$1.65
H. C. Chadwick, door mats,	2.40
John C. Hamblin, paving stones,	1.50
Andrew Warren, stock and labor, Hydrant Hose house,	11.80
J. L. Mayhew, labor and supplies,	21.15
Thomas G. Wing, sulphuric acid,	2.20
F. D. Tripp, labor and supplies,	2.75
Geo. A. Burgess, stock, labor and freight,	7.80
Cottage City Water Co., water rates,	26.00
Southern Mass. Telephone Co., rent of telephone,	15.00
John L. Mayhew, labor and supplies,	17.80
Geo. M. Stevens, supplies,	53.92
M. J. Rogers, hauling hose wagon,	3.00
E. E. Landers, cards and advertising forest fires,	5.75
M. V. Camp Meeting Association, team and four men at forest fire,	3.50
J. G. Norton, sulphuric acid,	.53
Hydrant Hose No. 1, services of 3 men at forest fire,	1.50
Highland Hose No. 2, services of 6 men at forest fire,	3.00
A. A. Buzzell, repairs,	2.88
J. L. Mayhew, sundries,	15.24
A. R. Norton, team,	1.00
Everett Joy, glass,	4.25
Camp Meeting Association, cleaning snow,	3.00
A. A. Buzzell, repairs of fire alarm and striker,	59.00
Steamer Co. No. 1, services of 9 men at forest fire,	4.50
C. F. James, carting,	14.50

E. A. Pease, hauling hose cart to fire,	\$1.50
H. E. Galley, hauling apparatus to fires,	3.00
H. H. Rice, lumber and supplies,	6.87
H. A. Eddy, labor and stock,	10.23
Eben S. Bowman, labor and stock,	18.32
C. F. James, carting,	9.25
Abbie D. Vedder, rent of hose house,	12.00
Leonard B. Pease, cleaning snow,	1.50
Harry French, cleaning snow,	1.20

\$349.49

Unexpended, .51

Appropriation, \$350.00

State Aid.

William W. Smith,	\$66.00
Elizabeth T. Smith,	48.00
Aaron F. Raymond,	72.00
Mary J. Leighton,	48.00
Antoinette J. Dalton,	48.00
Serena E. Smith,	48.00
John Spaulding,	72.00
James Casey,	48.00
Orinda Benson,	48.00
Mary A. Edson,	48.00
Margaret S. Luther,	48.00
Martha A. White,	16.00

\$610.00

Military Aid.

Joseph F. Tripp,	\$48.00
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Health Expenses, and Collection of Swill and Garbage.

E. E. Landers, cards and advertising,	\$27.00
T. H. Chirgwin, bill rendered,	3.85
John Medeiros, labor,	18.75
Adrian Silvia, labor,	10.00
Joseph Bernado, collecting ashes,	145.00
Charles W. Norton, labor,	81.75
Joseph Bernardo, cleaning rubbish at the Golf Links,	1.50
F. D. Tripp, supplies for cesspool cart,	40.90
Robert D. Robinson, paint and supplies, cess- pool cart,	6.80
Eben S. Bowman, stock and labor cesspool cart,	19.90
New Bedford Rubber Co., rubber hose and sup- plies,	31.60
Joseph Bernardo, collecting swill and garbage season 1903,	210.00
C. W. Norton, 2 days and 3 hours labor,	5.81
S. T. Meara, stationery, postage, etc.,	.50
	<hr/> \$603.36
Appropriation,	\$275.00
Overdrawn,	328.36
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Night Watchman.

LaRoy S. Lewis, services from March 1st, 1903 to March 1st, 1904,	\$450.00
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Public Library.

Thomas D. Crowell, Treasurer, amount of appro- priation at annual meeting,	\$150.00
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Hydrants.

Cottage City Water Co., rental of 51 hydrants
from Nov 15, 1902 to Nov. 15, 1903, \$2,040.00

Amusement Fund.

Eugene Hayden, amount of appropriation at an-
nual meeting, \$500.00

Memorial Day.

George H. Stratton, amount of appropriation at
annual meeting, \$25.00

Public Parks.

Park Commissioners, amount of appropriation at
annual meeting, \$300.00

Sweeping Streets.

Road Commissioners, amount of appropriation at
annual meeting, \$200.00

Bulkheads and Bridges.

Road Commissioners, amount of appropriation at
annual meeting, \$300.00

Repairs of Concrete

Road Commissioners, amount of appropriation at
annual meeting, \$1,500.00

Concrete, Nashawena Park.

Road Commissioners, amount of appropriation at
annual meeting, \$175.00

Concrete, Sea View Avenue.

Road Commissioners, amount of appropriation at
annual meeting, \$500.00

Concrete, Lake and Oak Bluffs Avenues.

Road Commissioners, amount of appropriation at annual meeting,	\$75.00
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Repairs of Dirt Roads.

Road Commissioners, amount of appropriation at annual meeting,	\$300.00
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Plank Walk, Sea View Avenue.

Road Commissioners, amount of appropriation at annual meeting,	\$100.00
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Police.

Hatch & Co., rent of room for office, 1903,	\$50.00
Eli A. Leighton, services as chief of police, 78 days,	195.00
Special service,	35.00
Andrew Warren, services as police officer from June 28 to Sept. 3, 1903,	167.50
Police duty 14 nights,	14.00
Eli A. Leighton, police duty 14 nights,	14.00
LaRoy S. Lewis, services as police officer,	71.00
H. C. Chadwick, furnishings for police office,	10.50
Wm. Reed & Sons, supplies,	4.75
Cottage City Gas & Electric Light Co., gas,	11.60
F. A. Marshall, supplies for police office,	12.40
Everett Joy, supplies for police office,	1.30
E. A. Leighton. paid watchmen July 3d,	28.00
So. Mass. Tel. Co., service,	15.25

\$630.30

Appropriation,	\$500.00
Overdrawn,	130.30

\$630.30

Lighting Streets.

Cottage City Gas & Electric Light Co., lighting streets as per contract,	\$4,000.00
Everett Joy, repairing lanterns,	4.50
John L. Mayhew, repairing lanterns,	6.85
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	\$4,011.35
Unexpended,	38.65
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Appropriation,	\$4,050.00

Support of Poor.

Thomas H. Norton :	
Paid Medfield Insane Asylum, board,	\$22.90
Job H. Gorham, funeral expenses,	22.50
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	\$44.50
Anna F. Watson :	
Paid Medfield Insane Asylum, board,	146.00
Mary E. Rowe :	
Paid board of children,	\$153.00
M. S. de Bettencourt, rent and wood,	75.50
H. L. Norton & Co., coal,	18.75
D. J. Barney, coal,	4.38
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	251.63
Mrs. Gardner :	
Paid M. S. de Bettencourt for wood,	7.00
Fanny W. Norton :	
Paid E. L. Merry, board,	\$126.00
J. A. Merry, board,	15.00
Dora P. Luce, board,	80.00
Hiram Daggett, moving,	8.50
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	229.50

Jules Soares :		
Paid City of New Bedford for supplies furnished,		\$35.00
Ellen Noonning :		
Paid City of New Bedford for supplies and medical attendance,		5.00
Marianna Ripley :		
Paid Mary A. Pease, board,	\$116.00	
Walker & Worth, medical attendance, 1903,	27.40	
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Hannah Devoll :		
Paid Mary A. Pease, board,		29.14
Julia Webquish :		
Paid City of Brockton for supplies furnished,		15.21
Joseph Lang :		
Paid John F. Randolph, board and care,	\$364.00	
Walker & Worth, medical attendance 1902,	14.60	
Walker & Worth, medical attendance 1903,	3.00	
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S. J. Lee :		
Paid Walker & Worth, medical attendance 1902,	\$67.40	
Walker & Worth, medical attendance 1903,	34.55	
H. L. Norton, coal,	3.75	
D. J. Barney, coal and pine wood,	5.25	
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Mrs. Wentworth :	
Paid Look, Washburn & Co., supplies,	\$2.01
E. G. Eldridge, supplies furnished,	6.00
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	\$8.01
Paid Alvin H. Cleveland on account of poor,	4.00
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	\$1,410.94
Unexpended,	89.06
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Appropriation,	\$1,500.00

Incidentals.

Cottage City Gas Co., gas at Selectmen's room,	\$10.70
W. H. Davis, painting fountain,	4.50
F. D. Tripp, care of fountain,	6.00
Cottage City Gas Co., gas at Town Hall,	1.00
L. C. Wimpenney, abstract,	15.00
Adams, Cushing & Foster, book,	2.00
A. C. Smith, labor and supplies, town pier,	59.53
Carter Ink Co., State record ink,	1.55
Hiram Daggett, services as pound keeper,	15.00
Otis Foss, moderator 1902-1903,	10.00
Cottage City Water Co., water at cemetery,	15.00
LaRoy S. Lewis, labor as tree warden,	2.00
Serving papers, Abbott and Carpenter cases,	1.20
F. D. Tripp, supplies to Selectmen's room,	.15
F. S. Brightman, tax book and field books,	16.50
E. Roland Smith, services as ballot clerk,	2.50
G. A. Burgess, services ballot clerk,	2.50
Manuel Peters, labor on bank, Lake Anthony,	9.00
Amos Haskins, labor on bank, Lake Anthony,	37.50
John Souza, labor on bank, Lake Anthony,	10.50
Robert F. Raymond, retaining fee, 1903-4,	25.00

E. E. Landers, printing town and school reports,	\$90.00
Publishing town warrant, etc.,	23.50
Printing ballots, bill heads, etc.,	27.00
Everett Joy, painting harbor moorings,	10.00
Walker & Worth, returning five births,	1.25
Charles L. Scranton, stamped envelopes,	10.70
A. C. Smith, labor at town pier,	7.50
E. E. Landers, printing tax bills, poll lists, town and state warrants,	27.25
Miscellaneous printing and advertising,	38.50
LaRoy S. Lewis, posting town meeting warrant,	1.50
Officer of the day,	2.50
George A. Burgess, services as ballot clerk,	2.50
R. D. Robinson, stock and labor, Hydrant Hose House,	5.00
F. P. Vincent, services as town clerk pro tem.,	2.50
Cottage City Water Co., moving hydrant, foot of Circuit avenue,	37.05
L. S. Lewis, posting warrants,	3.00
Officer of the day,	2.50
F. W. Chase, inspector of animals,	25.00
J. H. Gorham, reporting deaths,	7.00
Mary A. Pease, board of Edward Doran,	48.00
M. J. Perkins, board of Edward Doran,	155.00
T. D. Crowell, services as registrar,	5.00
Militia roll and dog census,	2.50
Services election day,	2.50
E. G. Eldridge, services as registrar,	5.00
Militia roll and dog census,	2.50
Services election day,	2.50
Oaths administered, etc,	6.85
E. E. Landers, services as registrar,	5.00
Militia roll and dog census,	2.50

E. E. Landers, services election day,	\$2.50
Postage,	.16
W. D. Harding, services as clerk, board of reg- istrars,	10.00
Services at town clerks' meeting,	2.50
Stationery, express and postage,	5.25
Recording births, deaths and marriages,	19.70
Transmitting certificate of births and deaths,	3.00
Administering oaths,	2.25
L. S. Lewis, services as janitor of Selectmen's room,	15.00
E. E. Landers, printing registration notices, etc.,	8.25
E. H. Matthews, carting and labor,	2.41
I. P. Medeiros, reporting births,	1.50
Z. D. Linton, supplies,	3.11
M. S. deBettencourt, team and labor,	11.50
H. L. Norton, coal and wood Selectmen's room,	7.95
E. A. Leighton, serving dog warrant, etc.,	3.50
R. F. Raymond, services,	30.00
W. A. Norton, team for town clerks' meeting,	1.50
John L. Mayhew, labor and supplies,	38.87
D. J. Barney, coal, wood and supplies,	10.40

 \$988.08

Unexpended, 11.92

 \$1,000.00

Lagoon Draw Bridge.

Amount paid County Treasurer, by order of the County Commissioners,	\$457.71
Appropriation,	\$390.00
Overdrawn,	157.71
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Amount of Orders Drawn

BY THE SELECTMEN, 1903-1904.

Firemen,	\$368.33
Engineer, Steamer No. 1,	150.00
Fireman, Steamer No. 1,	15.00
Steward, Steamer House and Town Hall,	150.00
Steward, Hydrant Hose House,	35.00
Steward, Highland Hose House,	25.00
Steward, Chemical No. 2 House,	25.00
Clerk, Board of Engineers,	20.00
Chief Engineer, fire department,	25.00
Superintendent of fire alarm,	25.00
Care of fire alarm battery,	75.00
Fuel and lights, fire department,	238.63
Contingent expenses, fire department,	349.49
Incidentals,	988.08
Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor,	100.00
Assessors,	300.00
Treasurer,	100.00
School Committee,	75.00
Town Clerk,	40.00
Auditor,	25.00
Board of Health,	75.00
Night watchman,	450.00

Sweeping streets,	\$200.00
Repairs of concrete,	1,500.00
Repairs of dirt roads,	300.00
Bulkheads and bridges,	300.00
Lighting streets,	4,011.35
Police,	630.30
Public Library,	150.00
Public Parks,	300.00
Memorial Day,	25.00
Schools and transportation of scholars,	4,147.17
School expenses,	537.98
Superintendent of Schools,	399.96
Support of Poor,	1,410.94
Collection of swill and garbage and health ex- penses,	603.36
Hydrant rental,	2,040.00
Amusement fund,	500.00
Plank walk, Sea View avenue,	100.00
Concrete, Sea View avenue,	500.00
Concrete, Nashawena Park,	175.00
Concrete, Lake and Oak Bluffs avenue,	75.00
Coats and hats, fire department,	105.48
Lagoon draw bridge,	457.71
Military Aid,	48.00
State Aid,	610.00
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	\$22,781.78

List of Jurors.

List of names selected by the Selectmen, to be placed in the juror's box. from which to draw grand and traverse jurors, to be presented to the town for acceptance at the annual meeting, March 7, 1904.

John F. Alden, Carpenter,
Antone S. Andrews, Barber,
Edward B. Andrus, Painter,
Fenimore G. Bennett, Retired,
George W. Bowker, Engineer,
Howard W. Carter, Carpenter,
Henry C. Chadwick, Merchant,
Manuel R. Charves, Carpenter,
Freeman R. Cottle, Engineer,
William H. Davis, Painter,
Otis Foss, Merchant,
Harry A. French, Baker,
Wilson S. Gorham, Carpenter,
William D. Harding, Merchant,
John Jones, Teamster,

George A. Leaman, Laborer,
Julius H. Lowell, Carpenter,
John L. Mayhew, Merchant,
Leavitt Mayhew, Teamster,
Samuel E. McDonald, Engineer,
John W. McGrath, Florist,
William A. Norton, Stablekeeper,
William Norton, Jr., Blacksmith,
Horatio N. Pease, Merchant,
James A. Pratt, Stablekeeper,
Samuel M. Rowe, Painter,
John F. Silvia, Merchant,
Benjamin D. Smith, Carpenter,
Charles F. Vincent, Teamster,
Francis P. Vincent, Tax Collector.

THOMAS D. CROWELL, }
EDMUND G. ELDRIDGE, } Selectmen
ELMER E. LANDERS, } of
Cottage City.

Cottage City, Mass., Feb. 19, 1904.

RECAPITULATION.

Unexpended.	Appropriations.	Departments.	Expenditures.	Overdrawn.
	\$100 00	Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor,.....	\$100 00	
	300 00	Assessors,.....	300 00	
	40 00	Town Clerk,.....	40 00	
	100 00	Treasurer,.....	100 00	
\$300 00	300 00	Collector of Taxes, 1900,.....		
	25 00	Auditor,.....	25 00	
	75 00	School Committee,.....	75 00	
	75 00	Board of Health,.....	75 00	
	398 50	Superintendent of Schools, including amount from State, Schools and Transportation of Scholars, including School Fund and Dog Tax,.....	399 96	\$1 46
36 72	4,183 89	School Expenses,.....	4,147 17	
	500 00	Firemen,.....	537 98	37 98
	350 00	Engineer, Steamer No. 1,.....	368 33	18 33
	150 00	Fireman, Steamer No. 1,.....	150 00	
	15 00	Steward, Steamer House and Town Hall,.....	15 00	
	150 00	Steward, Hydrant Hose House,.....	150 00	
	35 00	Steward, Highland Hose House,.....	35 00	
	25 00	Steward, Chemical House No. 2,.....	25 00	
	25 00	Clerk, Board of Engineers,.....	25 00	
	20 00	Chief Engineer, fire department,.....	20 00	
	25 00	Superintendent of Fire Alarm,.....	25 00	
	25 00	Care Fire Alarm Battery,.....	25 00	
	75 00	Fuel and Lights, Fire Department,.....	75 00	
	190 00	Contingent Expenses, Fire Department,	238 63	48 63
51	350 00	State Aid, Refunded by the State,.....	349 49	
	610 00	Collection of swill and garbage and Health expenses,.....	610 00	
	275 00		603 36	328 36

Tax Collections.

COLLECTIONS FOR 1900.

FRANCIS P. VINCENT, COLLECTOR.

Commitment 1900,		\$29,796.42
Interest collected,		509.76
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		\$30,306.18
Paid in 1900,	\$21,245.31	
" 1901,	4,300.40	
" 1902,	1,953.87	
" 1903,	1,699.41	
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Abatements,	\$680.11	
Exemptions,	60.91	
Held by town,	53.92	
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Uncollected,		312.25
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		\$30,306.18

TAX SETTLEMENT.

Abatements on property :	
Over assessments,	\$244.97
No property,	172.08
Other parties,	77.72
Error in assessment,	20.01

Convict,	\$13.31	
Old age,	10.44	
Pauper,	8.70	
Widow,	5.66	
Soldier,	4.61	
Dead,	2.61	
	<hr/>	\$560.11
Polls :		
Removed,	\$64.00	
Old age,	30.00	
Soldier,	12.00	
Paupers,	4.00	
Dead,	4.00	
Other parties,	4.00	
Poor,	2.00	
	<hr/>	120.00
Exemptions :		
Widows,	\$43.94	
Maiden ladies,	16.97	
	<hr/>	60.91
Held by town :		
Property taxed,		53.92
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		\$794.94

COLLECTIONS FOR 1901.

FRANCIS P. VINCENT, COLLECTOR.

Balance uncollected Feb. 19, 1903,	\$4,080.02
Paid in during the year :	
March and April,	\$166.17
May and June,	265.07
July and August,	437.96
September and October,	422.89

November and December,	\$125.59	
January and February,	150.14	
	<hr/>	\$1,567.82
Uncollected,		<hr/> \$2,512.20

COLLECTIONS FOR 1902.

FRANCIS P. VINCENT, COLLECTOR.

Balance uncollected Feb. 19, 1903,		\$7,889.80
Paid in during the year :		
March and April,	\$605.94	
May and June,	890.79	
July and August,	531.40	
September and October,	1,515.72	
November and December,	252.52	
January and February,	100.19	
	<hr/>	3,896.56
Uncollected,		<hr/> \$3,993.24

COLLECTIONS FOR 1903.

FRANCIS P. VINCENT, COLLECTOR.

Commitment August 11, 1903,		\$32,180.38
Paid in during the year :		
August,	\$6,205.52	
September,	5,325.83	
October,	6,259.68	
November,	4,218.67	
December,	816.86	
January,	274.95	
February,	87.40	
	<hr/>	23,188.91
Uncollected,		<hr/> \$8,991.47

Treasurer's Report.

ZENAS D. LINTON, TREASURER,

IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF COTTAGE CITY.

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Cash on hand,	\$3,682.35
Temporary loans, M. V. National Bank,	12,000.00
Collection of taxes, 1900,	1,699.41
Collection of taxes, 1901,	1,567.82
Collection of taxes, 1902,	3,896.56
Collection of taxes, 1903,	23,188.91
Corporation and Bank tax,	201.76
Income of School Fund,	150.00
Fines, District Court,	93.34
Dog Tax,	83.89
State Aid,	600.00
Inspection of Animals,	12.50
Military Aid,	24.00
Carriage and baggage licenses,	29.00
Pool and Billiard licenses,	12.00
Auctioneer's license,	2.00
Peddler's licenses,	9.00
Junk license,	4.00
Reimbursement to the town on account of Mary Silvia,	100.00

T. D. Crowell, Mrs. Hicks' will, (poor,)	\$100.00
Superintendent of Schools,	312.50
Interest, Ichabod Norton bequest,	12.00
Duggist's licenses,	3.00
Room Rent, Court Room,	175.00
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	\$47,959.04

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Principal of note, M. V. National Bank (temporary loan),	\$1,000.00
Interest on above,	12.50
Principal of bond, N. B. Institution for Savings,	2,000.00
Interest on above,	50.00
Principal of note, M. V. National Bank,	5,000.00
Interest on above,	112.50
Principal of bond, Merchants Bank of Boston, (Charles Weil & Co.),	3,000.00
Interest on above,	124.00
Principal of bond, Malden Savings Bank,	1,000.00
Interest on above and \$5,000 bond dated Jan. 16, 1900,	240.00
Interest on bonds for \$9,000.00, (Jose Parker & Co.,)	315.00
Interest on bonds for \$8,000.00. (Jose Parker & Co.,)	320.00
Interest on bonds for \$10,000.00, (State)	400.00
Interest on bonds for \$4,600.00, (C. T. Luce)	310.00
Interest on note for \$3,000.00, (M. V. National Bank) temporary loan,	101.16
Interest on note for \$1,000.00, (S. J. Luce) temporary loan,	25.00
Interest on bond for \$3,000.00 (E. G. Beetle estate)	150.00

Two years interest on note for \$1,000.00, (Mary	
A. Beetle) temporary loan,	\$110.00
Interest on note for \$3,000.00 (M. V. National	
Bank) temporary loan,	125.14
Principal of note, temporary loan,	3,000.00
State tax,	1,300.00
County tax,	3,112.69
Repairs State Highway,	118.50
Druggists licenses, paid state treasurer,	.75
Returns, paid state treasurer,	4.00
Court fees, paid J. L. Dexter,	28.00
Account of School fund,	24.00
Outstanding orders, paid account orders 1903,	477.21
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	\$22,460.45
Orders paid during the year,	22,298.41
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	\$44,758.86
Balance in the treasury,	3,200.18
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	\$47,959.04

Liabilities and Assets.

LIABILITIES.

Bond, May 4, 1898, Jose Parker & Co., due, May 4th, 1904, interest 4 per cent.,	\$2,000.00
Bond, May 4, 1898, Jose Parker & Co., due, May 4th, 1905, interest 4 per cent.,	1,000.00
Bond, May 4, 1898, Jose Parker & Co., due, May 4th, 1906, interest 4 per cent.,	1,500.00
Bond, May 4, 1898, Jose Parker & Co., due, May 4th, 1908, interest 4 per cent.,	3,500.00
Bond, May 19, 1897, State Treasurer, due May 19th, 1905, interest at 4 per cent.,	1,500.00
Bond, May 19, 1897, State Treasurer, due May 19th, 1906, interest at 4 per cent.,	1,500.00
Bond, May 19, 1897, State Treasurer, due May 19th, 1907, interest at 4 per cent.,	7,000.00
Bond, January 16, 1900, Malden Savings Bank, due January 16, 1905, interest at 4 per cent.,	5,000.00
Bond, October 16, 1900, E. G. Beetle, Estate, due October 16, 1905, interest at 5 per cent.,	3,000.00
Bond, October 19, 1900, C. T. Luce, due Octo- ber 16, 1905, interest at 5 per cent.,	4,600.00
Bond, March 26, 1902, Jose Parker & Co., due March 26, 1909, interest at 3 1-2 per cent.,	3,000.00

Bond, March 26, 1902, Jose Parker & Co., due March 26, 1910, interest at 3 1-2 per cent.,	\$3,000.00
Bond, March 26, 1902, Jose Parker & Co., due March 26, 1911, interest at 3 1-2 per cent.,	3,000.00
Note, temporary loan, S. J. Luce, interest at 5 per cent.,	1,000.00
Note, temporary loan, Mary A. Beetle, interest at 5 1-2 per cent.,	1,000.00
Note, temporary loans, Marthas Vineyard Na- tional Bank, interest at 5 per cent.,	3,000.00
Note, temporary loans, Marthas Vineyard Na- tional Bank, interest at 5 per cent.,	3,000.00
Note, temporary loan, Marthas Vineyard Na- tional Bank, interest at 5 per cent.,	3,000.00
Outstanding Orders,	483.37
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	\$51,083.37

ASSETS.

Uncollected taxes,	\$15,809.16
Due from state, state and military aid,	634.00
Deeds of land held by town,	500.00
Cash in treasury,	3,200.18
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	\$20,143.34

NOTE:—The Ichabod Norton bequest now amounts to \$980.47. There is deposited in the New Bedford Institution for Savings, \$387.04, and invested at 6 per cent. interest, \$200.00. The balance of \$393.43 is in the treasury.

Town Clerk's Report.

Record of Births, Marriages and Deaths.

BIRTHS, 1903.

DATE.	NAME OF CHILD.	SEX	NAMES OF PARENTS.
June 30, 1897	Marjorie Smith	F	Elisha M. and Adelia M.
Jan. 5, 1902	Cecil Smith	M	Elisha M. and Adelia M.
February 9	Maria Mills	F	Manuel and Mary
" 11	Manuel Swartz	M	Manuel and Emily
March 1	Edward Andrews Brown	M	Manuel S. and Mary R.
April 30	Ernest Martin	M	John and Mary
May 5	Neal Roy Welch	M	Snow and Lillian
June 9	Joseph Silvia	M	Manuel and Rosa
" 14	— Silva	M	Manuel W. and Mary T.
" 30	Still Born		
July 6	Edward Madison Denniston	M	O. E. and Charlotte E.
" 13	Robert William Huss	M	Frederick G. and Julia G.
" 25	Antone Duart	M	Antone and Fannie
August 1	— Sinclair	M	Harold A. and Lilla E.
" 3	Frederick Henry Davis	M	Ira N. and Emma W.
" 11	Mary Silvey Phillips	F	Antone S. and Amelia
September 4	— LeGall	F	John and Christina
November 7	G. Pearl Geiger	F	Joshie C. and Florrie M.
" 8	Richard Norman Meideras	M	Frank and Mary
" 12	Still Born	M	
" 28	Louise Bernard	F	Joseph and Mary
December 14	— Fereira	F	Manuel and Mary
" 28	Fred Benton Church	M	Coleman A. and Jennie L.

MARRIAGES.

DATE	NAMES OF PARTIES.	RESIDENCE.	AGE	BIRTHPLACE.
Nov. 3, 1902	Bartholomew Andrade	New Bedford	39	C. V. Islands
	Emelia O. Sylvia	Cottage City	29	Azores
January 19	Lester H. Scoville	Hartford, Ct.	23	Hartford, Ct.
	Mabel S. Radcliffe	" "	23	New York, N. Y.
February 2	Manuel Morriz	Cottage City	23	Azores
	Maria Antonio	Edgartown	18	New Bedford
February 9	Manuel W. Silvia	Cottage City	21	Cottage City
	Mamie T. Sullivan	Providence, R. I.	22	Ireland
May 12	Zenas D. Linton	Cottage City	66	Tisbury
	Cordelia E. Smith	" "	33	Edgartown
August 4	Edward C. Warren	Philadelphia	26	Cheriton, Mo.
	Mabel S. Amies	"	23	New Haven, Ct.
September 3	Charles Morton Tyler	Coventry, R. I.	58	Warwick, R. I.
	Susan F. Rathbun	Stirling, Ct.	38	W. Greenwich
September 9	Harold F. Williamson	Brockton	27	N. Sharon, Me.
	Edith Ames	Cottage City	23	Worcester
Nov. 25	Joseph E. Terry	Edgartown	25	W. Islands
	Mary Correia	Cottage City	19	New Bedford

DEATHS.

DATE.		NAME.	AGE.			CAUSE OF DEATH.
			Y.	M.	D.	
January	18	Giraldo H. Sousa	51			Necrosis of bladder
February	15	*Maria Green	69	10	13	Exhaustion from age
"	24	Thomas H. Norton	55			Exhaustion from Epilepsy
March	4	Frank P. Meideras	7	2	27	Cerebral Meningitis
April	4	Eliza McDonald	76			Debility from age
"	12	John Mills				Meningitis Cerebral
May	3	Mary W. Stockwell	80	10		Exhaustion from age
"	4	Louisa S. James	73			Apoplexy
"	5	—				Still Born
"	6	Linton Mayhew	18	2		Heart Failure
"	7	Benjamin P. Soulis	72			Carcinoma of Rectum
"	9	John Gregory	83	3	22	Capillary Bronchitis
"	11	Hendry Prudencia	7			Pneumonia
"	20	Henry R. W. Appleby	73	9	8	Apoplexy
"	26	*Elizabeth J. Fisher	73		10	Cerebral Hemorrhage
"	30	Jason Vincent	3	9	15	Cerebral Meningitis
"	30	*Ann Augusta Fish	77	1		Gangrene
June	1	*Asa W. Brown	88	8	11	La Grippe
"	19	Hattie F. Peirce	52	11		Fracture or Cervical Ver- tebræ
"	21	*Levi T. Hayward	54		14	La Grippe
"	30	—				Still Born
July	30	*Albert J. Manchester	74	7		Cerebral Hemorrhage
August	6	*Katherine Swett	42	6	1	Myocarditis
"	15	Mary C. Luce	55	3		Valvular disease of Heart
"	29	Clara Duarte			1	
September	1	*Richard W. Foster	24	10	4	Valvular disease of Heart
"	6	Mary Rose		3	21	Cholera Infantum
"	24	Marianna Ripley	70	3	22	Senility
"	28	Octavia F. Pease	77	5		Necrative action within the Abdomen
October	7	*Miriam E. Davis	28	10	10	Tuberculosis
November	12	—				Still Born
December	13	—				Still Born

*Non-residents.

SUMMARY.

The following are the statistics of births, marriages and deaths :

BIRTHS.

Whole number of births 21. Males, 14 ; females, 6.

MARRIAGES.

Whole number of marriages 9.

DEATHS.

Whole number of deaths 32. Males, 16; females, 15.
Residents, 23; non-residents, 9.

Dog Tax Account for the Year 1903.

Whole number of dogs licensed,	56
Males,	53
Females,	3

The amount received for same, less fees, has been remitted to the County Treasurer, and receipts taken therefor.

WILLIAM D. HARDING,

Town Clerk.

Road Commissioners' Report.

The Road Commissioners present the following report for the year :

SWEEPING STREETS.

Received from Selectmen,		\$200.00
Joseph Silvia, labor,	\$201.30	
Linton, Worth & Co., brooms,	2.40	
	<hr/>	\$203.70
Overdrawn,		<hr/> \$3.70

PLANK WALK.

Received from Selectmen,		\$100.00
John Souza, labor,	\$4.50	
Joseph Enos, labor,	9.00	
E. G. Mills, labor,	19.00	
Linton, Worth & Co., nails,	7.50	
H. H. Rice, stock,	64.98	
	<hr/>	104.98
Overdrawn,		<hr/> \$4.98

DIRT ROADS.

Received from Selectmen,		\$300.00
Albert Silvia, labor,	\$7.50	
Manuel Miller, “	3.00	

Domingo Medeiros, labor,	3.00	
Henry Correia, “	3.00	
Antone Douart, “	3.00	
John Peters, “	3.00	
Antone Silvia, “	3.00	
Adrean Silvia, “	6.00	
Manuel Mechado, “	6.00	
Manuel Enos, labor with team,	15.75	
James A. Pratt, labor with team,	22.50	
Frank Silvia, labor,	3.00	
John Souza, “	2.25	
John M. Estralla, “	3.00	
Manuel S. Brown, “	3.00	
Jos. DeBettencourt, “	4.50	
Joseph Burgess, “	4.50	
Manuel M. Silvia, “	6.75	
Manuel D. Silvia, “	4.50	
Gas & Electric Light Co., ashes,	7.65	
Manuel S. DeBettencourt, labor with team and loam,	86.65	
John C. Hamblin, labor with team,	31.50	
E. G. Mills, labor,	1.25	
Manuel Silvia, labor,	4.15	
John Rose, labor,	10.15	
Elisha M. Smith, labor with team,	10.90	
Linton, Worth & Co., shovels,	4.95	
	<hr/>	285.45
Unexpended,		<hr/> \$14.55

CONCRETE, NASHAWENA PARK.

Received from Selectmen,	\$175.00	
Received from Abutters,	175.00	
	<hr/>	\$350.00
National Coal Tar Co., tar and pitch,	\$95.00	

Steamboat Co., freight,	\$22.50	
C. F. James, carting,	2.00	
Henry Correia, labor,	13.00	
J. G. Pachico, "	15.00	
John Peters, "	8.37	
Manuel Peters, "	3.00	
J. C. Douart, "	8.65	
Clement Joseph, "	11.37	
Henry Andrae, "	10.50	
M. D. Silvia, "	1.50	
Antone Clifford, "	2.35	
M. M. Silvia, "	3.87	
E. G. Mills, "	6.40	
National Coal Tar Co., pitch,	7.50	
H. N. Pease, oil and broom,	.99	
H. H. Rice, stock for tool box,	6.81	
J. C. Hamblin, stone,	31.50	
M. S. DeBettencourt, stone,	27.00	
J. C. Hamblin, labor and sand,	34.50	
M. S. DeBettencourt, team and labor,	31.50	
	<hr/>	\$343.31
Unexpended,		6.69
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		\$350.00

BULKHEADS AND BRIDGES.

Received from Selectmen,		\$300.00
John L. Mayhew, labor and stock,	\$2.13	
Manuel Serpa, labor,	1.50	
M. S. DeBettencourt, labor and team,	5.50	
M. M. Silvia, labor,	2.25	
J. C. Hamblin, stone and labor,	44.50	
Elmer E. Landers, advertising,	2.25	
Snow bills, 1903	7.71	
John H. Crowell, surveying,	21.76	

Snow bills of 1904 :

Joseph Bernardo, labor,	\$2.50	
C. F. James, “	4.50	
Frank Silvia, “	3.17	
Adrian Silvia, “	1.50	
Joseph Douart, “	2.65	
Manuel Cardosa, “	.85	
Manuel Serpa, “	2.75	
Percey Spaulding, “	.60	
Manuel Rose, “	3.60	
Manuel S. DeBettencourt, labor and team,	17.35	
Frank DeBettencourt, labor,	1.50	
Manuel Misquito,	1.50	
John Madeiros,	.68	
J. C. Hamblin, labor and team.	17.94	
M. S. DeBettencourt, team,	2.50	
J. C. Hamblin, team,	2.50	
	<hr/>	153.69
Unexpended,		<hr/> \$146.31

SEA VIEW AVENUE CONCRETE.

Received from Selectmen,		\$500.00
M. S. DeBettencourt, labor,	\$25.56	
August Joseph,	9.00	
J. C. Hamblin,	5.50	
J. C. Hamblin, team,	25.00	
M. S. DeBettencourt, team,	34.50	
Henry Correia, labor,	13.46	
Clement Joseph “	9.00	
M. M. Silvia, “	13.00	
Adrean Silvia, “	8.52	
John Custadio, “	4.84	

John Peters, labor,	\$12.34	
M. D. Silvia, "	14.72	
Joseph DeBettencourt, labor,	4.84	
Joseph Silvia, "	6.34	
John Souza, "	6.34	
Eugene Menese, "	6.34	
J. G. Pachico, "	19.26	
J. C. Hamblin, sand,	7.70	
J. C. Hamblin, stone,	46.35	
M. S. DeBettencourt, stone,	46.35	
National Coal Tar Co., pitch,	15.00	
C. F. James, freight and carting,	24.82	
Jules Pachico, labor,	6.34	
National Coal Tar Co.,	173.15	
	<hr/>	\$538.27
Overdrawn,		\$38.27

CONCRETE, LAKE AND OAK BLUFFS AVENUE.

Received from Selectmen.		\$75.00
M. S. DeBettencourt, labor,	\$6.68	
Antone Silvia, "	1.50	
Henry Correia, "	4.54	
J. G. Pachico, "	4.74	
Manuel Silvia, Jr., "	2.87	
M. M. Silvia, "	3.00	
Adrean Silvia, "	1.48	
John Custadio, "	3.34	
Manuel Peters, "	3.34	
Joseph DeBettencourt, "	3.00	
Joseph Silvia, "	3.00	
Jules Pachico, "	3.00	
Eugene Menese, "	3.00	
M. S. DeBettencourt, team,	11.25	

J. C. Hamblin, team and sand,	\$13.35	
John C. Hamblin, stone,	12.15	
M. S. DeBettencourt, stone,	12.15	
National Coal Tar Co., pitch,	2.50	
National Coal Tar Co., tar,	40.60	
	<hr/>	\$135.49

Overdrawn,

\$60.49

REPAIRS OF CONCRETE.

Received from Selectmen,		\$1,500.00
Steamboat Co., freight,	\$21.00	
C. F. James, carting,	9.20	
Henry Correia, labor,	12.00	
J. G. Pachico, "	12.00	
John Peters, "	8.14	
Joseph Silvia, "	9.00	
M. M. Silvia, "	34.58	
Joseph Enos, "	9.66	
John Custadio, "	24.83	
M. D. Silvia, "	21.00	
James Menese, "	33.08	
Antone Silvia, "	22.67	
John Souza, "	31.67	
Jules Pachico, "	31.25	
Joseph DeBettencourt, "	31.67	
National Coal Tar Co., on account,	80.73	
Antone Silvia, labor,	7.50	
Henry Correia, "	33.90	
J. G. Pachico, "	31.10	
John Custadio, "	7.50	
Antone Andrae, "	21.83	
John Peters, "	24.92	
Adrean Silvia, "	14.34	
Albert Silvia, "	12.00	

Frank Pachico,	labor,	\$3.00
E. G. Mills,	"	51.25
Charles Rogers,	"	5.34
Steamboat Co.,	freight,	20.08
C. F. James,	carting,	5.60
National Coal Tar Co.,	on account,	300.00
E. G. Eldridge,	on account of concrete in front of Nichols' store,	16.50
J. C. Hamblin,	labor with team,	98.10
M. S. DeBettencourt,	labor with team,	75.15
Otis Foss,	oil,	3.84
Vineyard Grove Co.,	sand,	15.00
H. L. Norton & Co.,	oil,	1.45
William Norton, Jr.,	smithing,	1.25
E. S. Bowman,	smithing,	.85
National Coal Tar Co.,	in full,	329.09
Linton, Worth & Co.,	supplies,	29.82
Steamboat Co.,	freight,	30.89
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		\$1,532.78

Overdrawn,	\$32.78
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PITCH ACCOUNT.

Amount of pitch used in 1903, 11,860 pounds.	Price paid,
\$1.05 per hundred pounds, less freight.	
Cost,	\$124.53
Less freight,	16.47
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Net cost delivered,	\$108.06

TAR ACCOUNT.

Amount of tar used in 1903, 227 barrels, at	
\$4.50 per barrel, including barrel,	\$1,021.50
Amount of tar used on repairs of concrete, 151 barrels;	
on Sea View avenue concrete, 42 barrels; on foot of Circuit	

avenue concrete, 9 barrels; on Nashawena park road, 25 barrels; total, 227 barrels.

Received from Selectmen	Departments	Amount Expended
	\$.16 Balance from last year,	
200.00	Sweeping Streets,	\$203.70
300.00	Dirt Roads,	285.45
1,500.00	Repairs of Concrete,	1,532.78
100.00	Repairs of Plank Walk,	104.98
500.00	Concrete Sea View Av.	538.27
	Concrete Lake and Oak	
75.00	Bluff Avenues,	135.49
Of Selectmen, 175.00	Concrete on Nashawena	
Of Abutters, 175.00	Park Road,	343.31
300.00	Bulkheads and Bridges,	153.69
	Balance Feb. 15,	27.49
\$3,325.16		\$3,325.16

JOHN C. HAMBLIN,
 MANUEL S. DEBETTENCOURT, } Road
 ELIJAH G. MILLS, } Commissioners.

Park Commissioners' Report.

The Board of Park Commissioners present the following report to the citizens for the year 1903 :

Appropriation, 1903,	\$300.00
Amount overdrawn for 1902,	6.15
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Balance of appropriation for 1903,	\$293.85
E. T. Healis, labor on parks,	\$26.00
Charles Furlong, labor on parks,	5.00
Edward Doran, labor on parks,	108.00
Andrew Warren, cementing lakes in Ocean park,	25.00
Cottage City Water Co., for water service,	12.00
I. O. Bullard, repairs on tools,	2.00
F. D. Tripp, supplies,	.20
A. L. Nichols, “	8.00
F. W. Chase, mowing Ocean park,	12.00
C. F. James, cartage,	15.75
John Custadio, labor,	52.00
Joseph Bernado, cartage,	4.00
F. A. Marshall, supplies,	.75
J. B. Chandler, labor,	5.00
Linton, Worth & Co., supplies,	4.55

G. A. Burgess, labor,	\$1.45	
W. D. Harding, supplies,	1.00	
J. H. Gorham, mowing Lakeside park,	5.00	
H. H. Rice, 10 loads manure,	10.00	
E. T. Healish, labor, and carting of manure,	7.00	
	<hr/>	\$304.70
Amount overdrawn,		<hr/> \$10.85

JOHN E. SANDIFORD, Chairman.

FRANK F. RICE, Secretary.

Health Report.

Your Board of Health submit the following report :

The board organized in March, 1903, with J. H. Gorham as chairman, and Charles W. Norton as secretary. Shortly afterward Mr. Gorham resigned from the board, and Mr. S. T. Meara was appointed to fill the vacancy, and Mr. Meara was chosen chairman of the board.

The rules and regulations of 1902 were continued and printed in the Martha's Vineyard Herald.

The contract for cleaning vaults and emptying cesspools was awarded to Joseph Bernado, the work to be according to the rules of the Board of Health; the price to be \$1.25 per load from cesspools, and 50 cents per barrel from vaults; the same to be paid by the parties for whom the work is done.

The contract for collecting swill and garbage from June 15 to October 1, 1903, was awarded to Joseph Bernado; the swill and garbage to be collected once a day from all private houses on the Bluffs, and every other day on the Highlands. This does not include hotels and boarding-houses, which are obliged to care for their own refuse.

The contract for the removal of ashes and rubbish, from June 15 to October 1st, 1903, was also awarded to Joseph Bernado; the same to be collected once a week from dwell-

ings on the Bluffs and twice a month on the Highlands. We ask for an appropriation for the removal of ashes and refuse.

Your Board of Health for the year now drawing to a close have, during the season just passed, 1903, been called upon to replace line and suction hose worn out by the service of two years previous, together with much necessary repairs on pump and running gear, much to the regret of those on the board, who realize the necessity of economy in this as well as in all departments of our town. Great care is required of all, residents and non-residents alike, and an earnest request for their co-operation with the health department, and each to care for their own immediate premises and report any carelessness on the part of others who are disposed so to be, or any violation of the rules of the Board of Health. Our town is trying to do the best it can to maintain the reputation of the place, which it has always retained as the most healthful resort in the world. Extra service and care has been added during the past season which, perhaps, some may have to recognize.

S. T. MEARA, Chairman.

C. W. NORTON, Secretary.

C. T. BESSE.

Report of Board of Engineers.

The following report of the Board of Engineers for the year ending March 1st, 1904, is respectfully submitted :

The force consists of seventy-nine men in the following named companies :

Steamer Company No. 1.

Hydrant Hose Company No. 1.

Highland Hose Company No. 2.

Contest Chemical Company No. 2.

Hook and Ladder Company No. 1.

APPARATUS.

One Button Steam Fire Engine.

Two 80-gallon Chemical Engines.

Two Hose Wagons.

One Hook and Ladder Truck.

Two Hose Reels.

Three thousand five hundred feet of hose.

Three Underwriter Chemical Extinguishers.

A fire alarm of eleven street boxes, fifteen house alarms, two bell alarms, and a complete cell battery for furnishing electricity to run the same.

FIRES.

May 23, 10.10 A. M., the 10 blows were struck for a for-

est fire in what is known as Beetle's woods. Damage trifling.

Aug. 3, at 3.30 P. M., an alarm from box 43; at the cottage of W. H. Rand, No. 8 Ocean avenue; caused by kerosene stove. Damage to cottage, \$1,750.00; damage to furniture, \$250.00. Insurance on cottage, \$2,000.00; insurance on furniture, \$500.00. Valuation, \$2,800.00.

The cottage of George R. Weed, No. 6 Ocean avenue; caught fire from the Rand cottage, and sustained a damage to cottage of \$750.00; to furniture, \$250.00; insurance on cottage, \$1,750.00; insurance on furniture, \$250.00. Valuation, \$2,500.00.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

For Contingent fund,	\$350.00
Fuel and lights,	190.00
Firemen,	350.00
Steward Steamer house, Hook and Ladder	
house and Town Hall,	150.00
Engineer Steamer No. 1,	150.00
Fireman Steamer No. 1,	15.00
Steward, Hose No. 1,	35.00
Steward, Hose No. 2,	25.00
Steward, Chemical No. 2,	25.00
Chief Engineer,	25.00
Clerk, Board of Engineers,	20.00
Superintendent of fire alarm,	25.00
Care of fire alarm battery,	75.00
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Total for salaries,	\$895.00

Also recommend a sum to be appropriated to put the hook and ladder truck in a more serviceable condition.

The Board would extend their thanks to the officials and citizens for the interest maintained in the fire department.

Also to the officers and members for their hearty co-operation, and the faithful manner in which they have performed their duties.

GEO. A. BURGESS, Chief.

ANDREW WARREN.

HERBERT A. EDDY.

JOHN L. MAYHEW.

A. A. BUZZELL.

Report of Finance Committee.

To the citizens of the town, its Finance Committee would respectfully submit the following report :

Firemen,	\$350.00
Engineer, Steamer No. 1,	150.00
Fireman, Steamer No. 1,	15.00
Steward, Steamer House and Town Hall,	150.00
Steward, Hydrant Hose House, and care Chem- ical Engine,	35.00
Steward, Highland Hose House,	25.00
Steward, Chemical No. 2 House,	25.00
Clerk, Board of Engineers,	20.00
Superintendent of fire alarm,	25.00
Care of fire alarm battery,	75.00
Fuel and lights, fire department,	190.00
Contingent expenses, fire department,	350.00
Incidentals,	1,000.00
Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor,	100.00
Assessors,	300.00
Treasurer,	100.00
School Committee,	75.00
Town Clerk,	40.00
Auditor,	25.00
Superintendent of Schools,	87.50

Board of Health,	\$75.00
Collector of Taxes, salary for 1901,	300.00
Night watchman,	450.00
Sweeping streets,	200.00
Repairs of concrete,	1,450.00
Repairs of dirt roads,	275.00
Bulkheads and bridges,	275.00
Lighting streets,	4,050.00
Police,	500.00
Public Library,	150.00
Public Parks,	300.00
Memorial Day,	25.00
Schools and transportation of scholars,	3,950.00
School expenses, and sanitary work,	500.00
Support of Poor,	1,200.00
Collection of swill and garbage and health ex- penses,	275.00
Hydrant rental, 51 hydrants,	2,040.00
Amusement fund,	500.00
Repairs of Plank walk, Sea View avenue,	100.00
Re-sill Hydrant Hose House,	100.00
Painting school-house,	100.00
Settees in Park,	100.00
Clearing snow,	100.00
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	\$20,152.50

NOTE.—Your committee refers the town debt and interest to the town meeting.

OTIS FOSS, Chairman.

CHARLES L. SCRANTON, Secretary.

Cottage City, Mass., Feb. 23, 1904.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Term expires 1904 :

FRANK L. LOOK,
OTIS FOSS,
HERBERT A. EDDY,
HERBERT L. NORTON,
CHARLES L. SCRANTON.

Term expires 1905 :

WILLIAM D. HARDING,
JOHN L. MAYHEW,
EDWARD B. HANES,
HAMILTON J. GREENE,
FRANK P. BUNKER.

Term expires 1906 :

HENRY H. RICE,
LAROY S. LEWIS,
WILLIAM A. NORTON,
CLOFUS L. GONYON,
SHERMAN T. MEARA.

Auditor's Certificate.

To the Taxpayers of Cottage City:

In compliance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, I herewith submit the Twenty-fourth Annual Report of the finances of the Town of Cottage City. I have carefully examined the accounts of the Selectmen and Treasurer, and certify to their correctness as published herewith, with vouchers for orders drawn and payments made.

Included are reports of the Town Clerk, Health Officers, Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, Finance Committee, Park Commissioners, Road Commissioners, and School Committee.

It will be noted that the amount in the detail account of School Expenses is \$2.00 less than in the recapitulation table. This is due to an error in entering the bill of E. Joy, glass and varnish, \$2.50, instead of \$4.50 as rendered.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK W. SMITH, Auditor.

Annual Town Meeting.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

DUKES COUNTY, ss.

To either of the Constables in the Town of Cottage City :

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Cottage City, qualified to vote in town affairs and elections, to assemble at the TOWN HALL, in said Cottage City, on MONDAY, THE SEVENTH DAY OF MARCH, A. D. 1904, at seven o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following named articles, viz :—

ARTICLE 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ARTICLE 2. To choose the following named town officers :

A Town Clerk.

A Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor for one year.

A Treasurer.

A Collector of Taxes.

Two members of the School Committee for three years.

One member of the School Committee for two years.

A member of the Board of Health for three years.

A member of the Board of Road Commissioners for three years.

A member of the Board of Park Commissioners for three years.

Two Constables.

An Auditor.

A Tree Warden for one year.

And to vote on the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

The polls for the reception of votes for all the aforesaid officers, and said question, will be opened at 7.15 o'clock in the forenoon, and will be closed at 11.15 o'clock in the forenoon, unless a later hour be determined upon by the meeting.

ARTICLE 3. To elect all other necessary town officers.

ARTICLE 4. To hear the reports of Selectmen, Auditor and other committees.

ARTICLE 5. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to pay town debts and appropriations for the ensuing year, and to make appropriations of the same.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire such sums of money as may be necessary in anticipation of taxes for the year 1904, and payable therefrom.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the town will approve the list of persons to serve as jurors, as made out by the Selectmen.

ARTICLE 8. To see what action the town will take relative to night watch.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the town will fix a time for the payment of all taxes assessed, and will direct what rate of interest shall be demanded in case taxes are not paid at the time specified.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the town will instruct the Assessors to remit all such taxes as cannot, in their judgment, be collected.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the town will authorize its Collector to use all means of collecting the taxes, which a town treasurer, when appointed collector, may use.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the town will pay firemen the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the town will vote to extend the water main and locate a hydrant at a central point on Rowland Avenue, as petitioned for by T. J. Ellinwood and others.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the town will vote to place an electric light at Vineyard Highlands near Montgomery Villa, as asked for by A. B. Palmer.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the town will vote to diminish the number of the School Committee.

And to act upon and transact all business which may legally come before said meeting.

Hereof fail not and give public notice by causing this warrant to be published in the Martha's Vineyard Herald, and by posting two copies thereof in two public places in the town at least seven days before the time of said meeting.

And make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk, at the time and place specified in this warrant.

Given under our hands this twenty-seventh day of February, one thousand nine hundred and four.

THOMAS D. CROWELL,	}	Selectmen
EDMUND G. ELDRIDGE,		of
ELMER E. LANDERS,		Cottage City.

Pursuant to above instructions, I hereby notify and warn the inhabitants of said town of Cottage City, qualified to vote, as expressed in this warrant, to meet at the time and place and for the purpose specified.

LARÖY S. LEWIS, Constable.

Cottage City, Mass., Feb. 27, 1904.

ANNUAL

SCHOOL REPORT

1903-04.



Superintendent's Report.

Members of the School Committee of Cottage City:

GENTLEMEN:—I have the honor to submit for your consideration my fourth annual report of the public schools of Cottage City for the year ending Feb. 17, 1904.

In a table appended to this report will be found a detailed exhibit of the school statistics for the school year ending June 12, 1903. The attendance for the four months ending January 8, 1904 was as follows:

	Number Enrolled.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per Cent Attendance.
High,	22	20.46	17.23	.842
Upper Grammar,	22	17.08	15.43	.903
Lower Grammar,	43	36.2	33.6	.928
Intermediate,	38	35.4	33.2	.938
Primary,	30	25.8	23.8	.923
Sub-Primary,	52	43.2	37.5	.868

For all the schools the total membership is 207, the average membership is 178.14; the average attendance is 160.76; and the percentage of attendance, .902. The lower grammar school has the largest membership. In percentage of attendance the intermediate school ranks the highest, and the high school, the lowest. The increase over last year in enrollment is 23; in average membership 17; in average attendance 12.66. The percentage of attendance has fallen 1.6

per cent. and is about two per cent. below the average for the whole state.

The course of study of the preceding year has been substantially followed. Nevertheless, a review of the work shows some changes. These are, however, brought about gradually, and with so little friction to teacher and pupil as to give the impression of little change in course and method. The new text-book in Arithmetic adopted by the Board seems to be giving satisfaction, though the progress was hindered somewhat by the delay in securing the books. Both teachers and pupils are becoming accustomed to the plan of the new text. The mental grasp of small numbers lays the best foundation for manipulation of large numbers. Hence the value of much oral work is emphasized. Primary number work has been given its correct place of subordination in the first two grades. It is and should be subordinate to reading and receives less time and attention in those grades. How to secure good spelling is a burning question in all public schools of our country. That sight and written spelling train the eye and motor memories, that oral spelling trains the ear and motor memories, is generally acknowledged, and for these reasons both methods should be employed, written spelling for seat preparation and oral spelling in the recitation.

History and geography are treated more fully as complementary subjects, and all topics are studied more fully in their natural relations, not as isolated facts.

An attempt is being made to improve the grade work in English by training the pupils in the practical use of oral and written language. In the upper grammar grades too it seems unwise to burden the English with inflections long since abandoned, or to teach modifications where none exist. The gradual emancipation of English grammar from the

bondage of Latin analogy is an encouraging sign of the times.

A number of pupils of the high school requested to be transferred from the Latin course to the Commercial course. When it appeared to the superintendent and teachers that the pupil would be benefited by the change a transfer has been allowed. In my opinion it is unwise for those pupils who lack a literary taste to pursue the study of Latin, yet Latin is one of the best, if not the best, disciplinary study in the high school curriculum for those pupils who are willing to apply themselves diligently to its mastery. Other pupils will derive greater benefit from the study of scientific or commercial branches.

In June five of the seven teachers employed in our schools concluded their labors here. Their names are Miss Odiorne, Miss Loring, Miss Moulton, Miss Wing and Miss LeProhon.

To fill the vacancies thus created Miss Gertrude E. Millard, a graduate of Boston University, who has been a teacher in the Hyannis High School, was selected to succeed Miss Odiorne. Miss Loring was succeeded by Miss Charlotte E. Allen, a graduate of Smith College, who had no previous teaching experience. Miss Florence Carlton, a teacher of successful experience succeeded Miss Moulton. Miss Rhoda A. Briggs of Marion, Mass., a graduate of the Salem Normal school, and an experienced teacher was chosen to succeed Miss Wing. Miss Agnes E. Steward, of Livermore Falls, Me., who had several years' successful experience in the schools of Maine, was selected to succeed Miss LeProhon. Miss Allen and Miss Steward resigned at the end of the fall term; one to accept a position in Baltimore, the other to take a more satisfactory position near Boston. Miss Hannah Tibbetts and Miss Alice E. Paine were found to take the vacated positions. After two weeks Miss Tibbetts

for private reasons resigned and Miss Stella M. Moulton was secured to fill the vacancy.

Our sub-primary school in being subjected to so many changes has been singularly unfortunate. Miss Steward and Miss Tibbetts were teachers of unusual ability and efficiency, and the loss of their services is to be deplored.

While the primary school has suffered so severely, the work of the other rooms, for the most part, has progressed steadily and continuously. In several of the rooms the improvement both in instruction and in discipline has been well marked.

Respectfully submitted,

ANDREW P. AVERILL.

Principal's Report.

To the Superintendent of Schools:

I herewith submit to you the following report. The work in the school has been much the same as during the past year.

From the statistical report there have been many cases of tardiness—too many, I think, for the welfare of school and scholars. Punctuality is an important trait in one's character and its cultivation in the young is a vital part of their education. Cannot all concerned be more careful that each child is started sufficiently early to get to the school building in due time for the beginning of school?

Prompt attendance at all sessions indicates interest, and no work of value can be performed in which the worker has little interest. Punctuality may be the price of success. In the High school there is need of more reference books and physical apparatus. We have at present in our school several who are preparing for school work at college and Normal school. Shall they not be given the best we can ere they go?

These books are needed that they may cover the work in which they must be examined to be admitted to the school which they have elected to attend. I earnestly ask that some money be expended for these purposes during the pres-

ent year. As I have already said the success of the work is proportional to the interest displayed therein and suggested that punctuality is a means.

The books and apparatus of which I have spoken will be additional means, not only of sustaining interest, but an efficient aid in cultivating it.

The attitude of the school is excellent, as is shown by the large numbers who are intending to finish their education in higher institutions for learning.

Let us, as in the past, do all in our power to aid and help them in their efforts, that they may feel that their home school is a factor of no small importance in their future life work.

I wish to thank superintendent, teachers, committee, parents for their cordial, hearty co-operation in the work, and I trust that it will continue to be given, that our success may be assured.

Respectfully submitted,

H. H. HARRIMAN,

Principal of Schools.

School Statistics for Year Ending June, 1903.

TEACHERS.

	Grades.	Salary.	Total Enrollment.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per Cent. of Attendance.	Average Absence per Pupil.	Average Tardiness per Pupil	Total Number of Visitors	Number of Pupils Between Five and Fifteen Years of Age.	Number of Pupils Between Seven and Fourteen Years of Age.	Number of Pupils over Fifteen Years of Age.
H. H. Harriman, Principal.....	XIII.	\$765	23	21 5	18.9	.879	21.5	2.8	20	1	1	22
Emily I. Odiorne, Assistant.....	XII. XI. X.	\$450										
Lucy E. Loring.....	IX. VIII.	\$360	20	18.2	17	.934	14.2	3.1	104	15	12	5
Stella M. Moulton.....	VII. VI. V.	\$360	39	31.6	29.9	.946	10.7	3.3	46	39	35	0
Elizabeth LeProhon.....	IV. III.	\$360	42	36.3	33.2	.914	8	1.9	20	42	41	0
Prue A. Haley.....												
Maude E. Wing.....												
Kathryn F. Royal.....	II.	\$360	26	24.3	22.5	.917	13.6	5.5	66	26	21	0
Edith Ames.....												
Elizabeth LeProhon.....	I.	\$360	34	29.3	26.6	.908	19	2.8	47	34	16	0
Totals.....		.....	184	161.2	148.1	.918	13.9	3.1	203	157	126	27

Roll of Honor.

FOR ONE TERM.

Irene V. Landers
Grace B. Welch
Bertha L. Eddy
Florence Charves
Louisa Custadio
Anthony Medeiros
Arthur Wentworth
Albert Silvia
Aurora Burgess
Ernest Webb
Laura Look
J. Russell Look
Bertha Look
Chester Peters
Lewis Wentworth
Mary Burgess
Clarence Peters
Antone Silvia
Rosa Pachico
Edward N. Harriman
Norman Thomas
Marjorie Ripley

Joseph Silvia
Margaret Orpen
Anna Custadio
Nathan Welch

FOR TWO TERMS.

Irene V. Landers
Grace B. Welch
Anthony Medeiros
Manuel Medeiros
Carroll F. Moore
Joseph Burgess
Norman Thomas
Marjorie Ripley

FOR THREE TERMS.

Irene V. Landers
Anthony Medeiros

Report of School Committee.

The committee after reviewing the reports of Superintendent and Principal, deem it unnecessary to remark further on school matters, than to ask the parents to insist on pupils getting to their seats before the opening of school; also that they be not kept from school except by unavoidable circumstances.

The committee would call the town's attention to the poor condition of the roof of the school building, which at no distant day will have to be resingled. We would also recommend putting on storm sash on the windows of the North and West sides of the building.

Expenditures of Committee :

Salaries of teachers,	\$3,094.75	
Salary of janitor,	361.50	
Transportation,	252.00	
Fuel,	438.92	
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Appropriation,	\$3,950.00	
Received from Dog tax,	83.89	
Transferred from State fund,	113.28	
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Superintendent of Schools :

Expended,		\$399.96
Appropriation,	\$86.00	
Received from State,	312.50	
Overdrawn,	1.46	
	<hr/>	\$399.96

School Expenses :

Expended,		\$537.24
Appropriation,	\$500.00	
Overdrawn,	37.24	
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State Fund :

Received,		\$150.00
Paid for maps,	\$24.00	
Transferred to Schools,	113.28	
Balance carried forward,	12.72	
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D. J. BARNEY, Chairman.

J. D. KING,

GEO. W. MASON,

JOHN C. HAMBLIN,

H. N. PEASE,

A. A. BUZZELL, Secretary.

School Calendar.

1904.

Spring term begins March 14 ; closes June 3.

Fall term begins September 19 ; closes December 23.

(ONE WEEK VACATION.)

Winter term begins January 2, 1905 ; closes March 10.

Spring term begins March 20, 1905 ; closes June 9.

Names of Scholars Enrolled.

Alley, Domingo
Alley, Manuel
Andrews, Willie
Applebee, Lizzie E.
Barney, Ethel L.
Besse, Bertha E.
Besse, Walter
Bernardo, Annie
Bernardo, John
Bernardo, Willie
Bernardo, Virginia
Bunker, Charles W.
Bunker, Eva I.
Bunker, Grace M.
Bunker, Frank C.
Bunker, Harold
Bowman, Gertrude
Bowman, Warren
Burgess, Aurora
Burgess, Joseph
Burgess, Mary
Blankenship, William
Blankenship, Frank F.
Chandler, Harry
Chandler, Lester J.
Chase, Harold W.
Charves, Florence
Correia, Frank
Cordoza, James

Cordoza, Mary
Custadio, Anna
Custadio, Elvida
Custadio, Henrietta
Custadio, Louisa
Custadio, Mary
Davis, Arthur
Davis, Emerson
DeBettencourt, Annie
DeBettencourt, Frank
DeBettencourt, John
DeBettencourt, Joseph
DeBettencourt, Manuel
DeBettencourt, Mary
Doughty, Ada
Doughty, Mildred F.
Doughty, Merle
Doughty, Royal
Dow, Ethel L.
Dow, Lewis E.
Duart, Edward
Duart, Joseph S.
Duart, Joseph
Duart, Frank
Duart, Fannie
Duart, Mary
Duart, Frank S.
Eddy, Bertha L.
Eldridge, Louise

Fassett, Gardner L.
Fereira, Francis

Greene, Gladys

Hamblin, Edna
Hamblin, Olive
Harding, Elizabeth
Harding, May
Harriman, Edward N.
Haskins, Addie L.
Healis, George
Healis, Richard

Joseph, Antone
Joseph, Isabella
Joseph, Joseph
Joseph, Willie

Landers, Ernest J.
Landers, Irene V.

LeGall, Alma
LeGall, Ivy
LeGall, John
LeGall, Leonard
LeGall, William
Lewis, Mary
Lewis, Virginia
Look, Bertha
Look, Harold G.
Look, J. Russell
Look, Laura
Look, Leola
Look, Lester
Look, Milton
Look, Stanley M.

Martin, Joseph
Martin, Mary
Mayhew, Mark H.
Mayhew, Zenas D.
McGrath, Anna
McGrath, Mary
Medeirias, Anthony
Medeirias, Angeline

Medeirias, Maggie
Medeirias, Marie
Medeirias, Manuel
Moore, Carrol F.
Moore, Mildred
Morse, Harold

Norton, Clarence
Norton, H. Franklin
Norton, Marion
Norton, Percy H.
Norton, Alice
Norton, Edna
Norton, Lavinia S.
Nunes, Isabella
Nunes, Joseph
Nunes, Rosa
Nicholson, Horace

Orpen, Margaret

Pachico, Fanny
Pachico, Louisa
Pachico, Mary G.
Pachico, Mary
Pachico, Joseph
Pachico, Joseph G.
Pachico, Manuel G.
Pachico, Rosa
Pease, Elva
Pease, Gladys
Pease, Sara
Peter, Arthur
Peters, Charles
Peters, Chester
Peters, Clarence
Peters, John
Peters, Joseph
Pimental, John
Pimental, Joseph
Pimental, Virginia
Pordencia, Jacintho
Pordencia, Manuel
Pordencia, Mary

Pratt, Alice
Pratt, Norman

Richardson, Maude
Ripley, Hilda
Ripley, Marjorie
Rogers, Florence
Rogers, Mary
Rogers, Sarah
Rose, Antone
Rose, Frank
Rose, Joseph
Rose, Willie
Rowe, Joseph E.

Schwartz, ———
Schwartz, Rachel
Serpa, Mary
Silvia, Amos
Silvia, Annie
Silvia, Antone
Silvia, Albert
Silvia, Fannie
Silvia, Fannie W.
Silvia, Frank
Silvia, Frank R.
Silvia, Ernest
Silvia, John
Silvia, John R.
Silvia, Joseph A.
Silvia, Joseph
Silvia, Mary C.
Silvia, Mary R.

Silvia, Manuel
Silvia, Willie
Silvey, Vivian
Sousa, Philomena
Smith, Dorothy
Smith, Marjorie
Smith, Marjorie
Smith, Norman
Smith, Ralph T.
Spencer, Lewis
Stowe, Christine
Stratton, Elsie
Swift, May

Thomas, Annie
Thomas, Lucy
Thomas, Norman

Vincent, Alida
Vincent, Arthur

Washburn, G. Otis
Washburn, Reynolds
Webb, Ernest
Welch, Grace
Welch, Milton
Welch, Nathan
Welch, Warren
Wentworth, Arthur
Wentworth, Eddie
Wentworth, Lewis
Whalley, Iris



